

SENATOR NELSON: All right, thank you. Thank you, then. What...Senator Landis has done a very good job of explaining what brought this bill along in the first place. It was brought to my attention about two years ago that this was happening in the state and even though these campgrounds are not in my particular area, people in my area were getting, so to speak, taken by these campgrounds. A campground membership is simply a campground that is operated and provides facilities for people that have purchased these campgrounds. Now, this does not include KOAs and other campgrounds where anyone may camp just for paying a daily or weekly fee. One of them particularly that was brought to my attention is connected with a coast-to-coast campground. Purchasers contract by really buying right out to use the facility, somewhat maybe like a health center or a fitness center. And much of the same thing is true in their contract as should be true in the membership campgrounds. You're not purchasing a specific site or cabin, you're just purchasing a membership. I became aware when an elderly couple in Grand Island, and Senator Landis alluded a little bit to them, a couple years ago, she has multiple sclerosis, she has had it for thirty some years. So they stopped in, got the free literature and so on. What they have to do is weekly they made trips from Grand Island to Omaha for treatment for her multiple sclerosis. They felt that...and how they got sold on it somewhat a little bit in the first place that they had a pickup and a small trailer that she couldn't stand to come clear back to Grand Island but maybe they could go to Omaha to the doctor and then she could come back to Yutan and rest and then make the rest of the trip back to Grand Island. It was a very hot afternoon. Make the story rather short if I can. They limit them to two hours. While she went to the bathroom, they enticed her husband into signing the contract. She said that he had never done anything in his life like that before. And anyhow when she got back to the business office, the contract had been signed. Well, he thought that it was for \$995. They made their trip on to Omaha that night, stayed in a motel west of Omaha and she got out the contract and found out that it said \$2,995. So she was just so shook. She said I usually let him do the talking because of my multiple sclerosis, I get nervous. She called VISA back and she called the campground on their number and told them that they definitely didn't want to go through with it and to stop the VISA payment. The gentleman there blew his stack, threatened us and said that he would sue us for all we were worth. I told my husband about the phone call. We both were scared out of our wits. After some discussion, my husband