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these minors will not use the cigarette machine. So, therefore, I would encourage you to support the first part of the Moore amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hefner. Senator Nelson, followed by Senators Schimek, Bohlke, and Haberman. Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Madam Speaker, I have no problem, if it's comfortable with Senator Schimek, on the first part of the amendment. I certainly do differ on the second part. All that does is it just pick away and picks away until we have no control. Yet it really defeats what we're trying to do. And as Senator Chambers said, or in Nebraska the only cost is that we have to entice these kids when they're 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 years of age to get them started to...addicted to using tobacco. And then, as we all know, it cannot be disputed that eventually that may lead to other afflictions, and drugs and narcotics and so on right down the line. In Nebraska it is estimated by the oncology nursing unit group that there were 850 people lost their lives last year for...to tobacco use. And when it comes up to increasing the tax, if you point out to people what the use of tobacco costs our state, that sometimes changes their opinion. I very much differ with my good friend, Senator Hefner, that liquor establishments control these vending machines. They don't control them at all. The machine, sometimes, is out in an entryway. If you're busy serving meals or whatever you may serve, particularly a lot of these small towns and so on where liquor is served, there is no oversight or control of these vending machines. So this is just another way to nibble away at what would be a good, solid legislation. So, for that reason, I'm very definitely against the second part of Senator Moore's amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Nelson. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, Madam President, members of the body, Senator Moore, may I ask you a few questions.

SENATOR MOORE: Sure.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senator Moore, I don't basically have an argument with what you're trying to do, if there is some way that we can make certain that minors still don't have access. And do you have any problem with that concept?