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you people are bad. We are going to enforce this law and we are really going to tramp on you people, but on the other side of the coin we are saying to the other people, it's all right, go ahead, sell cigarettes. We are not going to enforce the law. We are not going to enforce it. And I would say there are more places to buy cigarettes other than vending machines where they are not enforcing the law. So to me, we could walk out of here and say we passed legislation, we feel good, we passed legislation that, boy, if minors are caught buying cigarettes out of vending machines, you are sure in trouble, and we feel good. And we walk out of here, we go home, and we feel good about that, but nothing happens. We passed this law many years ago you have to be 18 or older to buy cigarettes, and I know that the body, the people in the body left and they felt good about this. Boy, we passed a law. They are not going to buy cigarettes unless they are 18 or over. Nothing has happened. So possibly, folks, we are possibly on LB 130,...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR HABERMAN: ...we are passing legislation that isn't going to do any good. I know we are going to pass possibly legislation that cracks down on one segment of the private citizens and doesn't the other. Why not include the other segment in this bill? The grocery stores, convenience stores, filling stations, wherever they sell cigarettes, why not put this force of the government on them also. This is what I don't like about the bill. We are taking one segment and we are saying, boy, big brother government is going to get you, you bad folks. And on the other side of the coin, you are saying, go ahead, you can sell cigarettes, we are not going to do anything about it. So I want you to think very, very seriously...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR HABERMAN: ...about changing this amendment. Thank you, Madam President.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Haberman. Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: I would like to begin with the parliamentary question on rules of order, I am trying to search for the rule, but I know there is a rule regarding reconsidering something on General File at the same stage of debate, and the inquiry would be, is not this motion out of order because it was adopted