

providing the kind of health care that we need for our youth. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Dierks. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Madam President, I rise in response to Senator Robak's comment. I was listening closely, Senator Robak, as you spoke about the very young people who participate in things that we would just as soon not see them participate before they are at adult age. And you said in their minds they think there are adults, so, therefore, why would we pass this legislation trying to block something that we know is not going to be successful because in their minds they think they are adults. Well, if I would follow that line of thinking a little further and considering the whole subject of vending machines, it would seem what you are saying, if that is true, we might as well along side the Coke and 7-Up machines have a vending machine for beer and wine coolers, because there is really...you have heard our discussion before about limitations in age on the access of alcohol and tobacco, and what we are doing is we are removing those where we cannot...we cannot maintain any check at all of ID. So if we want to say that it is silly because in their minds they think they are adults and this would not be legislation to block it, why not put the beer and wine coolers next to the Pepsi and 7-Up machines, and Coke, I don't want to leave anyone out. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Bohlke. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Yeah, Madam President and members of the body, I rise in opposition to the Schimek amendment. I think we need to take a step back and look at the larger issue what we are talking about here. Essentially, we are talking about legislation in the area of substances and activities that we consider questionable, and I serve as the Vice-Chairman of the General Affairs Committee, and one of the translations of General Affairs is the committee on activities and substances that we consider questionable. That is the committee that deals with things such as gambling and liquor, and I think when...these are all activities that we know we need to regulate, and we do regulate them. We have, number one, we have age restrictions on all these activities. You have to be of a certain age before you can drink, before you can participate in any form of gambling in the State of Nebraska, before you can smoke. That is the first thing we do, and that is fine. The