

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, well, I didn't hear you, but all I can say when I make hats, if your hat comes up and you put it on and it fits your head, the one who selects the hat is the one who determines whether it fits or not.

SENATOR ROBAK: Well, thank you very much, because I haven't ever received a favor from a tobacco company. Never have I been lobbied by them. I have never been lobbied by them certainly on this issue. The only thing I ever got from a tobacco company was that Christmas package that we all get that has cookies and golf balls, or whatever in it. That is the only favor I have ever gotten. I have never gotten anything from a tobacco company. And I am thinking that in response to Ardyce, Senator Bohlke's comment about putting vending machines in for alcohol purposes, this bill deals with taking machines out, not putting them in, and if somebody wants to introduce a bill putting vending machines for alcohol in, I mean we will address that at some future time. And I think that if little kids, teenagers or whatever, can have access to crack, cocaine, marijuana, or whatever, they are getting it somewhere. They certainly don't have vending machines out there for them. This is my personal feeling. It isn't any tobacco industry's feeling that put this in my brain. I just think that this is another one of those laws that just make us feel really good, yet it does nothing, and I do feel very strongly about families. I don't want my grandchildren to smoke, and I would do anything to prevent them from smoking, but I think we have got to put our values first. I mean we are putting the cart before the horse. We are shutting the barn door after the horses are out. Those kids are out there doing adult activities and they are doing far more things than we ever did in my generation or my parent's generation. Society has changed and it isn't the kids fault is what I am saying. I don't want them to smoke, and if this vending machine, we stopped that, would take it away from them, I would vote for this bill too, but it isn't going to do that. What we have to look at, this is what society has pushed our children into. We pushed them into monsters. We pushed them into big adults with little...big...we pushed their minds up chronologically where the bodies aren't, and society has done that to our children. That's my point, Senator Chambers. I still oppose this bill. I think it does absolutely nothing but hurt the vending machines, vending business. We're taking jobs away from people. Thank you.