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part of the budget and be accountable to the citizens of Nebraska. We will begin looking at the coordination of health care policy. Right now, we have five agencies that work on health planning and policy. Sometimes they work together and sometimes they don't. Consolidation of these functions will reduce costs; it also will streamline services which will make us more responsive to citizens. In addition to coordinating health care policy, we will study coordination of transportation functions. We will position Nebraska as a national leader, an innovator in transportation, much as we have in telecommunications. To move us in that direction, I will soon announce a transportation efficiency project. The project will begin with an intensive study of and by Nebraska freight and carrier industries. We will consolidate activities in international trade, job training, parole and probation administration. We'll coordinate activities basic to the operation of government, such as grant writing. From now on, all state agencies will accept multipurpose grant applications from communities. This means communities can coordinate requests for grant monies in one document to be used by all affected agencies. I propose we merge administrative functions of the Public Employees Retirement System and of the Investment Council into the Department of Administrative Services. I also propose that we increase our efficiency by merging the administrative functions of the Nebraska Equal Opportunity Commission into the Department of Labor, and the administrative functions of the Power Review Board into the Nebraska Energy Office. This year, we will privatize the Soybean Board and the Department of Public Institutions' laundry services, as well as move the State Print Shop to Corrections. Improved technology will help us streamline government in Nebraska. We will computerize State Patrol paperwork, increase use of the state video conferencing network, and promote the sharing of electronic data. The appropriate role of government is to help citizens help themselves, to feel safe, to be healthy and find jobs. Each of the initiatives I am proposing to you today will assist Nebraskans in meeting those basic needs. Remember the days when we left our cars and homes unlocked? It's not that way anymore. In the past ten years, arrests increased 70 percent for adults, 198 percent for juveniles. I want you to know we will remain vigilant and we will be aggressive in counteracting crime in Nebraska. In 1995, I propose we continue our comprehensive approach to crime. We must address prevention, intervention and detention. First, the price of committing a crime in Nebraska will go up, especially for