

proposed legislation. I'm not sure where that legislation stands at the federal level right now, but I hope that that will be defeated and I also don't agree with this amendment only because it may prove to be very expensive to do, and if not here in the Capitol an expense, it seems to me that if we make this a law for our building that sooner or later someone will be coming in with the suggestion that we make this same provision apply to all of the buildings in the State of Nebraska and then we are at that point going to be asked to consider a mandate as in the federal legislation to have businesses comply with this kind of legislation so I think you're opening up a Pandora's Box here that you don't know what the domino effect will be and who will eventually be forced to comply with something like this and at what expense that would be. I, too, feel it's adequate, and I am an exsmoker. I smoked for 14 years so I understand kind of both sides of the issue and I know what it feels like to go stand out in the cold and have a cigarette, so I'm not opposed to asking people to do that especially in the part about the vehicles. I guess that's where I find my most consideration. If we would tailor this to just say in the vehicles of the state no smoking, I would understand that because it's a very enclosed area and there is no place where an individual can go to get away from the effects of an individual smoking in a car. So if we just say, car or truck, if we just say in the vehicles I would be compelled to go along with this piece of legislation because then you are saying that you are in close proximity to a smoker if you are a nonsmoker and there is no other room to go to when you're in a vehicle, there is only one room, but when you're in a building you can go elsewhere, we can have designated smoking areas, you are not in that close proximity as you are in a vehicle, so it's a little bit different when we have designated smoking areas in the building. I'm not so compelled to say go outside and smoke especially the people way up on the higher floors here who smoke. If they could get together and decide a designated smoking area if they haven't already done so, I'm not sure we'd need to have a law passed for them to comply. I'm sure most smokers that I know are very good about, if you ask them not to smoke in your office or something, they comply and very good about going to the designated smoking areas to have a cigarette or a cigar or whatever albeit. I guess I've seen everybody smoke pipes out here too. So I guess my objection to the bill will be that it's not tailored to the vehicles and my objection to the amendment is that this could prove to be very expensive somewhere down the line just if we're complying with it and then at some point we're asked to