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all right, we're going to open up smoking here in the dorms, and that's the place that I would like to see it curtailed right away, because that is where these problems start. The vets home is fine, you know, you're talking about people well in their eighties, and if they need to smoke, that's fine. But when you start looking at younger people, 17, 18, 19 years old, that is where it should...it should be curtailed so they don't develop the nasty habits that all of us, at one time or another, have had. So I am in support of Senator Beutler's bill. Senator Price, maybe you didn't have that nasty habit, but I did for a good many years. So I do stand in support of Senator Beutler's amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Preister.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Honorable President, friends all. Perhaps I have the amendment that is the compromise that we can reach that can address all of those issues. I have an amendment that's drafted that is being copied and will be circulated to you shortly. Basically, it addresses all of those issues that have just been raised. And I will read it to you. It will be the next amendment up, so we can address Senator Beutler's amendment and then go on to this one, if it's the wishes of the body. The amendment states that "Smoking is prohibited in all vehicles, buildings, and areas within ten feet of the entrances to such buildings or any portions thereof, owned, leased, or occupied by the state. The following buildings or areas within buildings in which persons reside or lodge may be exempt from this section: Nebraska veterans homes established pursuant to Section 80-315; (b) private residences; (c) residential halls and dormitories under the control of the Board of Regents of the University of Nebraska and the Board of Trustees of the Nebraska State Colleges; (d) facilities and institutions under the control of the Department of Health and Human Services", which would be the regional centers; "and (e) cabins and buildings managed by the Game and Parks Commission." So it would amend out those residences where we have had specific concerns, and yet it isn't going as far as Senator Peterson's amendment would have in opening it up to go that step backwards. The amendment would allow for some flexibility, and yet it moves us into a more restrictive posture. This is essentially the bill that I've had for three years, which has had three different public