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don't want to talk to them; I don't want to discuss this; I don't want to have a neighborhood forum; I don't want to bring it up to my church or my neighborhood association; I want a law reducing everything to a matter of rights, as opposed to the communal exchange that parties who are adults should be able to do in a problem-solving mode when dealing with each other. I'm going to vote against the Preister amendment. I'm going to vote for the Beutler amendment. At that point, if it's in that form, I'll vote for LB 211. And significant extensions beyond that point, that don't have a level of discretion in them and don't allow people to work things out, I'm going to vote against because there is just a place at which we...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...answer every question with a law, and that isn't the way, in a free society, we should think of democracy. We draw the outer limits in democracy. We don't regulate day-to-day behavior by everybody, and that's what we're trying to do in the Preister amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Hudkins.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I intend to support the Beutler amendment to get the bill back to its originally...original form. And I am interested in seeing what this final bill is going to look like, after the people have worked together and we see it then again on Final Reading. What I wanted to talk about, though, was just some food for thought. In the Lancaster County Jail, when that building was rebuilt and was open for occupancy, that building was totally smoke-free. When the Lancaster Manor was built, a nursing home for low income and others in Lancaster County, that building was also, when it was opened, totally smoke-free. How did they convince the residents of the Lancaster Manor to quit their smoking? They had smoking cessation classes for the residents. There were a lot of smokers in this nursing home before the classes. After the classes, there were still a...some, but very few. But the point I'm trying to make is that because those two county-run facilities are now completely smoke-free, Lancaster County has saved in excess of \$40,000 in insurance costs per year. So this is just something that you