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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, nobody has spoken in opposition to this bill, so apparently it is going to go, and I hope it does. But sometimes you might wonder what impact can the action of an individual state have on a problem that is national in dimension, and even international or global. Well, Nebraska...this will not be the first time Nebraska has taken a position of leadership on a global problem, or at least an international problem. When South Africa was the most segregated, viciously racist country on the face of the earth, Nebraska was the first Legislature to enact a resolution prohibiting the investment of public funds in corporations that did business in or with South Africa. And people wondered whether that would have any impact, afterall, what is Nebraska? Shortly after that resolution passed, and I can document this for anybody who wants it, the largest newspaper in South Africa, The Rand Daily Mail, pointed out the fact that Nebraska was the first Legislature in America to take any such action. The fact that it was a rural, conservative, to my way of thinking that means a white, racist state as South Africans perceived it, would do something like this, it boded ill for the country of South Africa, that it might very well start a bandwagon effect that couldn't be withstood. So it would behoove that government to make significant changes, which that government chose not to do. And, sure enough, a bandwagon effect did come into being. I received requests from people all over the country for copies of that resolution and information that I had, and I shared it with them. States began to act, cities, companies, finally the federal government, and you all know the rest of the story. Apartheid collapsed. Not many people know that it started, as far as legislative action, with something this Legislature did, which at the time when it was done many people probably shook their head and said, it's a waste of time. So in this particular situation that we're confronted with now, nobody is naive enough to think that Nebraska can solve this problem, or that this bill or any other bill we pass is going to be all that's needed in terms of rectifying the situation. But a start has to be made. And it might be even more effective if, once again, Nebraska, which is not densely populated, which does not have a lot of actual political clout in Washington, in terms of the number of representatives or electoral votes, would take this action and encourage other states to begin to consider it.