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my time to Senator Brashear.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Brashear, you have about four minutes, plus.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Did he talk that long, Mr. President? (Laugh)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Not quite.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Mr. President, members of the body, thank you, Senator Dwite Pedersen. We...so we are talking, to frame the issue here, we are talking about several hundred thousand dollars a year. And we are talking about the fact that you, together with the people of the state of Nebraska, in your constitution and in your statutes, have said how money will be handled. You have prescribed what law enforcement will do. And it's not being done, and it's not being done because the bureaucracy of law enforcement can do better, financially, by circumventing your will. Now, okay, the federal government provides the mechanism. The federal government decides it's going to be the clearinghouse, charge 20 percent that it can use to pay some salaries on the side, and it's going to remit 80 percent back to the law enforcement agencies directly, and then that becomes money that they, in their better wisdom than the people, absent the encumbrance of the appropriating process, they in their better wisdom, they'll decide how that money gets spent. And they'll spend it on salaries, or the one you hear about all the time, of course, since we started this is drug sniffing dogs, et cetera, things that of course could be appropriated for, would be appropriated for, but this way they can buy what they want, when they want, the way they want it. It is not direct. The thing that bothers me the most and the thing that really pushes me over the edge is how incensed they are that it's being discussed, how they don't want to do the reporting, how they didn't come forward. You adopted the law in 1983. Have they told you they were doing this? If it's so good and right and pure, is there something wrong with telling you, making it known, sharing it with the appropriating process, being accountable? Isn't that what we are all, all about? Then I hear, and if you think they want it discussed, you're wrong. You know when this started, Senator Chambers suggested that I