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There was just one more thing I wanted to talk about. Looks like we're all mostly here though, except Senator Bruning. Poor young Jack's being mentored this very moment, I bet. (Laughter) Maybe...maybe the experience will reduce his ardor for mentoring the world. (Laughter) In any event though, the one thing that I wanted to say that I felt very good about with respect to the amendment and that has not been discussed is that little part of the amendment that says that the petitions will be filed, instead of four months before the election, that they'll be filed eight months before the election. And that may mean a number of things, but the important thing that that means to me and the reason I'm going to suggest to Senator Kristensen that it even be moved up to nine or ten months before the election is because that means at the time that the petition is filed the Legislature will be in session and it creates the possibility of a legislative response or the ability of legislative action before the matter goes before the people, and I think that's a very valuable possibility, either in terms of offering an alternative constitutional amendment to one that's offered by initiative, in other words, giving the people a choice between two matters, or in terms of putting into statute something that may be related to the subject that would be better put in statute rather than risking having it put in the constitution. And so it creates a whole new dynamic in that respect and I think a very valuable dynamic for those of us in the Legislature who, I hope, have confidence in what we can do and how we can react to public...to public concerns and problems. So it would have that aspect too and I just wanted to mention that. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Wickersham. This is short, I trust. (Laughter)

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Mr. President, (laughter) members of the body, I'll get my composure in a minute and be able to talk to you. I'm...okay, I think we'll be back to normal here. This is an important issue for the Legislature and the people of the state of Nebraska. We have had, in the last two election cycles, proposals that have been placed on the ballot largely due to the expenditure of large sums of money. They have been defeated in one instance because of the large expenditure of money, and they have been defeated in the other instance because