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interest in police power, in protecting the consumer, we have the authority to enact laws dealing with franchise agreements like this and this appears to be a logical extension of the authority of the police power of the state to regulate franchise agreements. And the law isn't exactly, I don't think, like another state, but it has been done in a number of other states and we've got a couple of court cases where it has been upheld, so I think we're on...on pretty good grounds legally.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time. Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Janssen, on the first part of the divided question.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. Being from a district that has three of the largest dealers in the state of Nebraska, I feel compelled to get into this discussion. I heard the Internet, reference to the Internet, purchase off the Internet this morning from Senator Kristensen. We could talk about Internet sales for a long time and I've been active in one aspect of Internet sales recently and found out that there are cases where...where our tax...sales tax, excise tax and so on is being bypassed by certain Internet sales people and that's costing the state a considerable lot of money and violating some of our rules and regulations and laws that we have set in place, especially on alcohol. With these three dealers that I have in my district, I hate to think of the...of the fact that they could...that they could be driven out of business by Chrysler Corporation, General Motors, Ford Motor Company, whoever it may be. These particular dealers are franchise dealers for each of those car manufacturers. Not only are the people that own these dealerships very well-respected people within the community. They also contribute very generously to worthy causes within not only the city of Fremont but surrounding areas. And being in business myself, I think of my type of business and how, if...how, if a wholesaler that I am doing business with would come in and set up a competitive store right next to mine, well, you know what would happen. They would be selling the products at a percentage over their cost which they're selling to me now, so virtually it would drive me out of business. I wouldn't be able to operate. The same thing holds true in the automobile