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up at this hearing. Insurance companies used to promote helmet laws, but it is my understanding that they've kind of pulled back a bit because helmet laws haven't proven to be as effective as originally thought. And that's probably why we're finding ourselves, in Nebraska, surrounded by states that allow that personal decision as part of their policy. Back in January, I traveled on a recess weekend to Colorado and went down the ski slopes. And I'm pretty cautious, basically, but one thing that I observed was that some people had skiing helmets and some people didn't. And in Colorado they don't mandate motorcycle helmets either. I didn't see any motorcycle riders in February in Colorado, but in summers prior I have. And...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR SMITH: ...the interesting thing to me, or what I want to emphasize is the fact that Nebraska, with our potential for tourism and bringing travelers to the state, Nebraska is to motorcycle riders what Colorado is to skiers. And Colorado hasn't even mandated motorcycle helmets, much less skiing helmets. They let responsible individuals decide for themselves. And I know it would be tempting to try to put a safety device on every single head, on every single motorcycle, every single subcompact car that is at a disadvantage when they hit an SUV head-on, but we have to bring in an element of common sense here. We cannot legislate common sense. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Smith. Senator Mossey, followed by Senator Baker.

SENATOR MOSSEY: Thank you, Mr. President. And Senator Smith hits on a good topic about facts, which...or which should be being discussed, and the fact of the matter is those that want to wear helmets to save their lives, or possibly save their life, do, and for those of us that have driven around a lot and seen people, there are a lot of people wearing helmets that aren't going to save their life. In fact, I'd almost point to the argument that I've seen more people, in my career, wear helmets that won't save their lives--the beanie helmets that are equivalent to, like, a child's safety helmet. And I can even speak to personal issues, where I've watched people die in front