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in the corner. You jump on the bike. And if you don't blow a stop sign, you don't get caught for speeding, you don't make an illegal turn, you're never going to get stopped because you don't have that helmet on. The law says you've got to wear it, but you don't have to wear it if you don't get stopped for another offense. I'm sorry, this is no law. This isn't education. This isn't protection. This isn't helping us to save lives. This isn't preventing the huge cost to all of us, as taxpayers, for those people who are injured, many of whom have traumatic brain injuries for life. This, this does nothing. At 16-years old, in order to ride my bike I might have gone out and I would have taken the course so I'd get it, and I'd say, heh, heh, hah, I don't have to wear that helmet. Let them catch me. I'd throw it in the corner. What this amendment does is it removes, it takes the secondary language out of this bill. At least if we're going to pass a bad bill, let's make certain that law enforcement is going to have the opportunity, the option, for a young rider, who is the only ones really covered in this, for a young rider, if they don't have that helmet on, they can get stopped and they can get ticketed. Otherwise, we've just taken all...we've just addressed all of the language, we've taken all of the protection out that helmets have to offer. So I ask, Mr. President and members of the body, to search not only in your heart but in your minds on whether this is truly the type of legislation that you want. And if it is, if you're convinced on the education part of it, if you're convinced on everything that's been presented in this bill, then, at least, at least return this to the point where it's a primary offense for not wearing that helmet. I'll yield my time back to the Chair.

SENATOR VRTISKA PRESIDING

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Senator Byars. (Visitors introduced.) The next speaker is Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President and members. You will see a handout on your desk that was in color last time, but in the interest of saving funds, it's in black and white but the message is still there, that Nebraska is virtually surrounded by states with a little more open mind when it comes to