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we're going to invest in a venture, then we must look to use new and original ideas. We got to get away from this tunnel vision and old patterns, use our resources to discover a new focus. A new horizon can be seen in western Nebraska, where a large percentage of agriculture and ranch land would be a perfect setting for the Nebraska State Fair. You'll not drop off the end of the earth if you go beyond Grand Island and Kearney, I'll grant you that. The Mitchell area would be an ideal place to promote the Nebraska State Fair. You give these folks in the Scottsbluff-Mitchell-Morrill communities the amount of money you're considering, they would show you how the west was won. And I would urge you to bring new interest to the Nebraska State Fair and support this amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR ENGEL: Thank you, Senator Louden. Senator Stuthman.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. First of all, I've been listening to the discussion, and haven't entered into the conversation at all yet on this issue. One of the things that I have been hearing is, you know, there's a lot of history, agriculture, the State Fair, and things that people remember when they went to the State Fair. I think the underlying issue that we're really not addressing at this present time is that it's a place for the youth, competition for the youth, the 4-H programs, the FFA programs that have been in the county areas, in the towns, not just agriculture, not just hogs, cattle, sheep, goats, turkeys, or anything like that. It is very, very broad. A lot of people can belong to the 4-H. You can belong to dressmaking, cooking, baking, making crafts. Those are a lot of things that we are not even thinking about what really takes place on the State Fair. I know Senator Mines, he said that his kids, he had to drag them to get them to the State Fair. The way it sounds to me, I don't think his kids have ever been involved in a 4-H program. A lot of kids are just anxious to get to the State Fair because they have competed on the local level, they have a project, they've got a piece of art that they want to show and exhibit at the State Fair. I think one of the concerns that I have is the perception of what we're trying to do. A lot of people are thinking that we're going to...you know, if this doesn't pass, or if it gets on the ballot, you're voting for keeping the State Fair or not. No,