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probably has taken away some of the reason that we are...have a declining amount of people coming to the State Fair, is because the reason to be there has gone. The rural people in my district don't come to the State Fair to see machinery. They go to Husker Harvest Days. The FFA and the 4-H kids don't bring their things to the State Fair because they don't receive any premium or acknowledgment of the amount of work that they have spent all summer long. We look at the State Fair, with our declining attendance, and say, you know what, we can't afford to support the State Fair, but we like to compare our State Fair to the other State Fairs around us, saying what are we doing different and why can't we keep our State Fair viable? Well, what we're not realizing is that many of our other State Fairs...or other states are supporting their state fairs, and they're supporting them heavily. The total amounts for the last six years in North Dakota, they fund in their fair up to \$3 million; Kansas, \$26 million; Missouri, \$14 million; Minnesota, over \$5 million; Iowa, \$20 million. Plus, they also have earmarked other funds to support their state fair, not only for the...attending it, but also for building sites. We in Nebraska in the last six years have given our State Fair \$1 million. No wonder we're falling behind. We have to make a solid commitment to, do we want to continue our State Fair? And if we do, we have to make sure it's funded. And we have to bring reason for people to come to the State Fair. We have to bring that enthusiasm back, and so that's going to be a big challenge. Funding it will be wonderful, but we've got to encourage them. But we can't encourage them unless we have the money to do the remodeling of the buildings and to keep it to where we can encourage people to come. I haven't made a decision whether I'm going to support this or not. I certainly have fond memories of the State Fair and would like it to continue at it's...as it once was, but we need to make sure that it does continue and to bring people in. And without that, we need funding, and this will allow the funding for it. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator McDonald. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, on to my amendment. HIV is the virus that causes AIDS. A