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perceive to have. Now ask me why should we do this. Well, there's ten other states that have done this and there's other states contemplating this. Four states--Florida, New Hampshire, Louisiana, Georgia--have statutes to the same effect as the sportsmen constitution. In the state of Nebraska there are 173,000 hunters, there are 296 (sic) fisher persons, and there are total job expenditures...and there are...the total expenditures for hunting and fishing equipment and for this activity is about \$455 million a year. There's a total of 8,800 jobs in this state that are attributed to sportsmen, and their salaries and wages amount to about \$182 million. The state tax revenue from this type of activity is...the sales is about \$31 million, and the ripple effect on the state's economy is about \$751 million. The Nebraska sportsmen outnumber the residents of Lincoln. Nearly one out of every five Nebraska residents hunts or fish. Nebraska sportsmen annually spend more than the box office receipts for "Jurassic Park," one of the top money-making films of all time, and spending by Cornhusker state sportsmen equals 23 percent of the cash receipts from corn in the state of Nebraska. We...I have distributed a little thing for you to look at and this sportsmen amendment has been put on the ballot more recently in Montana, Wisconsin, Louisiana, and I'm missing a state there, and in all cases it passed by over 80 percent. I have that information here. Okay, the four states that amended were Wisconsin, Louisiana, Montana, and Minnesota. In all cases, it passed by over 80 percent. I think we are elected by the people to do their will and this has been brought to be by I think a very important organization in this state, and I think we should put this on the ballot for the people to decide on this. It's been very popular in other states that have done it. I can tell you that the Nebraska Game Commission has passed a resolution in support of this constitutional amendment. The Nebraska Cattlemen's Association and Nebraska Farm Bureau have had their annual meetings in the past and they have discussed this issue, and they have overwhelmingly endorsed us putting this on the ballot. And so I bring this to you as someone...as a messenger from those organizations and especially from the Sportsmen's Foundation, which I've been privileged to work with the past few years. This concept was brought to me about three years ago and it was in the form, the last two legislative sessions, of LR 4CA. We