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procedures. We ask for things and, thank goodness, they're here--antibiotics, heart medicine that each of us take, and that leads you to something else. But the prescriptions, the pharmaceutical costs, they're astronomical. I heard an ad on the radio this morning coming down here about a drug outlet in the city of Omaha, I think it was on 135th and Center or something like that, that was called Canadian Drugs. don't know whether this is on the up and up or not, but they were talking about one of the medications that I take. It was about 80 percent less than what I pay for mine. Now why is that in a country like ours that we can let those pharmaceuticals run at such a rampant price? I don't understand that. Now, if this is a Canadian drug company, the Canadians aren't subsidizing that. I know there are a lot of people that go to Canada for drugs that live in Minnesota, but somebody in Nebraska, you're not going to run to Canada to get your pharmaceuticals. Now there is a store in Omaha, Nebraska. Why is that? And I heard talk this morning about health insurance on businesses. In my small business, that is one of our largest expenses, is health insurance, and let me tell you it's not one of the best plans in the world because we couldn't afford one any better than that.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: One minute.

SENATOR JANSSEN: I don't know whether this particular bill is the right one. I hear Senator Byars say that we don't need this study. I'm going to continue to listen but, by George, let me tell you something. It's time we're talking about it. It's time we're starting to get something going on the state level, and I think that the feds should get off of their duffs and get something started also. It's time, or we're going to be broke, just the whole country is going to be broke taking care of people. Thank goodness we've got them. Thank goodness it's here. Thank you for your time.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Senator Janssen. We have Senator Byars, followed by Senator Jensen and Senator Chambers. Senator Byars.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Lieutenant Governor. Appreciate all of the dialogue and certainly I want to make clear that I think