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have an opinion on this. And that's because the public is traveling the country. They go to New York City, they go to California, they go to other states and they aren't exposed to secondhand smoke, and they like being able to breathe clean air. They like the atmosphere, they know the dangers of secondhand smoke to them. And they know the dangers to employees which in the restaurant industry is primarily teenagers. We need to protect the public from this danger, a danger that we know exists. We've already banned it in all of our state buildings except for the State Fairgrounds. We have, over the years, banned it in childcare centers. We have made some incremental public health approaches on this issue. But the last big place where people go and smoke and expose other people to secondhand smoke is restaurants. And you're going to hear that the sky will fall if we do this, that the restaurants are going to go broke, that we shouldn't tell private business what to do. we've already done that. I can remember, because I'm one of the older people serving in the Legislature, when smoking happened on airplanes, when smoking was prohibited (sic) in all of our When the smoking was taken off airplanes, everybody prisons. said, well, you know, people aren't going to fly. They're going to flip out, there are going to be incidents, there are going to be problems. But you know what? You can fly anywhere and you don't have to worry about a cigarette smoker not making it to the next stop. And when we had smoking end in the prisons, there were no riots. When we've told people you can't smoke to somebody...next to somebody else sitting at a ball game, people respected the right of other people to breathe clean air. We tell private industry and private business what the standards are for health all the time. And I'm going to pass out to you some of the regulations that we already have in place. In fact, this Legislature, just a couple of years ago...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR THOMPSON: ...added more regulations to the restaurant industry for sanitation and public health. That is our responsibility. We set the standards for health. We have an opportunity with this bill to make Nebraska a healthier place, to ensure that workers work in a healthier environment, that families can take their children out to eat, that people with