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transportation. They can't drive to a different restaurant. They have to walk to one. They have to be there close. I think we need to be considerate of those kind of people. They also talked about the investments people put into their businesses. Well, again, that was a cigar bar. It doesn't apply to this. If you look at the studies coming out of New York, Massachusetts, California, where they're even more stricter, their revenues are up. More people that didn't go out to eat because they wouldn't want to be offended by smoke are going out to eat. That's what happens. One of the things we heard in testimony in the committee that Senator Bourne referred to or that some of the business owners were saying that this would be so much more fair if it were statewide. That's what this bill does. It is statewide. I think that's what we need to be concerned with. I'd give any more time that I have to Senator Thompson, if she wishes. Thank you.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Senator Thompson, would you wish to use Senator Aguilar's time? Has about one minute and (inaudible).

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you very much. Thank...I will accept the time, and thank you, Senator Aguilar, for your excellent comments about this bill. I have passed out to you excerpts from the Nebraska Food Code and thought you might want to look at those. One of the interesting questions that Senator Jensen asked all the opponents of this bill was, what do you think the role of government is? And it was an interesting response because when it comes to health and it comes to public health, it's pretty difficult to say that government doesn't have a role. We set the standard. We are there to protect the public from bad health practices, and we do that in hundreds of ways. That is not big government. That is good government. That is taking care of the health of people, taking the scientific research, the information that we have and forming the best public policy to protect the public health. And so Senator Bourne says this is about big government.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Time.

SENATOR THOMPSON: I say this is about public health, and we need to do something. Thank you.