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one, during one of my son's football games, a proprietor...a restaurant, owner of a restaurant had said to me, are you guys finally going to ban smoking in restaurants? And I said, well, I guess it's a possibility. And he said, well, I wish you would. And I said, well, just a quick question: Can you do that now? Can you just say no smoking in my restaurant? He said, well, yeah, sure, he goes, but I just don't want to make anybody mad. I guess that's our job. Here's the point. Is a licensure type of situation a happy medium? If we want to prohibit this, some of my comments the other day went to the public health aspect of this. If this is killing people, and I believe it is, I really do, ban it. Ban it. The problem is, alcohol kills more people than cigarettes every year. I don't have the statistics here, but I will find them and we'll prove that. We force people into situations where they have to, in order to purchase, from a wholesale standpoint, alcohol, they have to be licensed. In order to distribute it...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR FRIEND: ...they have to be licensed. In order to have people partake in that type of behavior in their establishments, they have to be licensed. So what I think we're doing here, or at least I think that maybe Senator Thompson is right, maybe I need to bring something like that...I guess my bust for not thinking of it before this type of stuff happened...I think this is an appropriate discussion. We tried to prohibit alcohol. We all know about that. What's going to happen here with this incrementalism is we're going to create a black market, we're going to create an underground, and it's coming if it's not already there. What I would say is if you establish moderate licensing type of procedures, what you could do is produce an environment where people can avoid it, they know where to go to avoid it, they know where not to go in order to avoid it.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator.

SENATOR FRIEND: I just...thank you. Thank you for the time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you. Thank you, Senator Friend.
(Doctor of the day introduced.) On with discussion. Senator