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going to be times like this when there were going to be polarizing issues that would cause me to see people and link them with their issue, rather than separate them from the issue and see their common humanity with me. I decided at that time it was for my benefit that I said "friends all," not for anyone else's, but that I would continue to focus on the relationship and the importance of that, rather than on the polarizing aspects of the various issues that would come up. So the "friends all," I still say it. I smile to myself. It's for me. And I'm glad we're having some fun with that. We can have fun and at the same time be about the people's business, which is very serious. I view this as a very serious issue. I view health and wellness as a very serious issue. We know that secondhand smoke, in addition to direct cigarette tobacco smoke, does kill people. Even the tobacco industry now admits that. That's pretty well established. From my perspective, I would like to prevent those consequences to people. I would like to prevent as many people as possible from getting the illnesses that are directly caused by tobacco smoke, and the ones that are secondarily caused by it, or that are exacerbated by it. Prevention saves the needless pain, the trauma to the individual, to the family. It saves the cost to the state, to the city, to all of us. We as a society pay those costs. We pay the human cost. We pay the financial cost. Cost is a factor indeed. And I want to save those costs. I want to be more frugal, and not spend so much Medicare money that we're concerned about, and Medicaid money. Those are truly aspects that do come into play here. Prevention, prevention, prevention. And when the city of Lincoln and the Health Department and the voters of Lincoln go on record as saying they, too, want to prevent illness, they, too, want to stand up and say, give us clean air to breathe and help us in our public places to be able to do that, I applaud them. I support them. I think that's the wise thing for them to do. And I'm glad they took the initiative and they did it. However we characterize this amendment, it's going to take money away from the city of Lincoln. It's going to say to them, you made this decision, therefore, we're going to make another decision, and we're going to penalize you by taking money from you. I don't want to do that. I oppose AM0802 (sic) because I see it hurting the city of Lincoln, when they have tried to do the right thing, taking