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SENATOR CHAMBERS: So maybe he was heading for the Hills Brothers coffee. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. It's also, members, a little noisy in here so if you could hold it down in respect for the speakers, we can think a little more clearly maybe. So thank you for that. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion of the FA157 offered by Senator Synowiecki to the Health and Human Services Committee amendments to LB 480, Senator Thompson, followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. In working on this bill before the session, the suggestion was made to us, and I think Senator Synowiecki is running into the same problems that we had in trying to figure out how you could do this, how you could write this amendment, because...and it wasn't that we were necessarily going to do it, but part of the preparation you have is to take all the ideas that are out there and try to work with them. But I asked Senator Synowiecki earlier, and I'm not sure that's right, I think that this further discussion by Senator Chambers points up the fact that bars...we're trying to in this bill get to the issue of restaurants and not all bars in Nebraska, and largely because public health improvements are incremental. There are people who are mad at me because I'm not doing everything, and I'm just doing what I think is reasonable public policy in the year 2005 here, and maybe others will come after me who are able to do a complete smoke-free ban. But with this amendment, for those of you who are kind of in the middle on this bill, you might bear in mind that this would...the only bars that would have an exemption that serve food who...that are currently a bar or restaurant under the current Clean Indoor Air Act would now be exempt only if they sell pickles or pickle cards, and I think that's discriminating against those bars that don't serve food who currently are not a part of this bill and now they're going to be in for this definition because of the way this amendment is written. And I'm not sure we can write that any different way if you're trying to just take care of the pickle card places only. I don't think it's the view of Legislature that we want to force bars to sell pickle cards. I mean, I'm sure there are some interests out there that would benefit from that