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because they didn't agree with homeland security's direction. SCAN, as you've heard Senators Wehrbein and Brown say, the folks involved, the people involved, were outstanding. They did what we the body directed them to do--develop a statewide interoperable system for the safety and security of our citizens. They did that. The...and particularly I think those that need to be recognized are Colonel...or General Lempke and Colonel Nesbitt. These gentlemen went above and beyond, even in the political environment in which they live. In 2002, the SCAN board, under the leadership of Lieutenant Governor Heineman at the time, developed an RFP and, Senator Brown, the...prior to that, the...there was an RFP sent out and both Motorola and M/A-COM/Raycom bid, and DAS that issued the RFP did so with a \$78 million price tag. It wasn't \$160 million or somewhere between \$60 million and \$160 million. It was \$78 million. That fell through. And SCAN was told to develop a system and they did just that. They have done what this body wanted them to do. Now, political events and times change. There is new leadership, there is new direction and, frankly, I introduced a bill in 2004 that would result in a tax on electric power and that fell the weight of the Titanic. It's about funding, and it's always about money, and there appears to be money in the homeland security budget, but it's not for a statewide system. This is for a regional noninteroperable system. Someday, you know, maybe someday when we're still alive it will be a statewide system. The pockets, the areas, that have a regional system will be just fine. It's those people in greater Nebraska that don't access a regional system that need help. Like when the Norfolk savings and loan is...or bank is robbed and they drive through Neligh, I can promise there's not going to be an interoperable system any further than that. This was to be a statewide system. It's not. It will not be for quite some time. And I know the bill is going to go through, but I wanted to get this on the record just because. Thank you, Madam Chair.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Mines. Senator Baker, you are recognized to speak.

SENATOR BAKER: There are...are there any other lights, Senator, Madam President?