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or the vices. It is the third party who does not know the gun is present that I'm most concerned about. It's the fact that the gun is hidden. It's the fact that the gun is now an act of deception around people who think they're in a context in which there are no guns, and yet there are guns because somebody is holding it in a concealed manner, as opposed to allowing people to make a knowing decision--I want to be here; I see there are some guns present, I think I'll leave. Or--there aren't any guns present, I think I'll stay. Uh-uh. As a third party, you don't get to make that decision now; only one person, the person who deceives everyone else, who holds the gun and leaves everybody to believe that they're in a context with no guns, when in fact they are. And that's what I don't like. It robs the third person, who's not party to whether they want to carry a gun or not, from making a knowing decision as to whether they want to be around people with guns. Now, for the criminals, the criminals are a criminal because they do deceive you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: What I don't want are the law-abiding citizens who are deceiving people around them and not letting them...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...make their own decisions and, yet, claiming that they have the status of the law. I want people to be able to know whether they're safe or not and in the presence of gun.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, some very worthwhile comments have been made, thoughtful, restrained, right on point, and I'm going to follow suit. I'm glad others said it before I did so they'll know I'm not making it up. There is no argument that can be made for carrying hidden guns on the basis of the lack of safety in Nebraska.