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Senator Landis, you're recognized to speak.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Senator Schimek, members of the Legislature. A couple of summers ago, for Nebraska Rep, I did a play called Lend Me a Tenor. It's a door-slaming farce, and it was directed by a guy from Pennsylvania by the name of Brant Pope, a really brilliant director. At the end of our time we had a good-bye gathering out at Wind Chimes, and we all told stories. And in fact, Brant told a story of being arrested in the Selma freedom marches in the...when he was 11 years old, and meeting Martin Luther King Jr. in the penned in area, where his pastor/father and he were collected, along with the other people who had been arrested in the Selma march. And then he passed out a little present to us, each one of us, and it was in an envelope, and it was a card for a gift card to Barnes and Noble. It was a generous amount of money, and it was a touching occasion. I was delighted. I thanked him profusely for all of his work, and then I put the card I don't know where, I don't know where. It got swallowed up by my car, which is entirely possible, if you've ever been...well, you can't get in my car, because there's not room for anyone else in my car. I don't know where it is. And I told Barnes and Noble, look, here's the guy who bought it. He's gone back to Pennsylvania. Here's the amount, here's my name, here's roughly the occasions. And they said, uh, this was a gift to you, you didn't make the card; now, by the way, you're entitled to a replacement card if the person who gave us the money asks, so if you go back to the person who gave this to you as a gift and say, I'm sorry, I lost your gift to me; would you please, from Pennsylvania, call the Barnes and Noble and reactivate the gift card that you gave me as a gift, which I was so stupid as to lose. Look, I deserve to lose the money. I shouldn't get the money, because I was a bonehead. But here's the problem. Who should get the money out of that transaction, Barnes and Noble or the state of Nebraska? And what LB 173 says, it's Barnes and Noble. They get the cash. They've done nothing. They've given me no book, and they've got \$50 that they keep forever. They get the interest off that; it goes right to their bottom line, and if they don't provide me the service, to allow me to close that circle and get what it was that a very generous man gave me as a gift, they get to keep it. I understand it doesn't belong to me, because I'm the