TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE Transcriber's Office FLOOR DEBATE

March 10, 2006 LB 454

against the law right now in Omaha to carry a concealed weapon, and Senator Combs, the NRA, and the NRA's lobbyist are not going to be able to take away the city's authority to do that. And finally, the gun could be carried at a mental health facility. Let's say, because "Baron" Tyson lives in or around Norfolk, that city does not prohibit the carrying of a concealed weapon. Let's say that you do have a mental health facility there. This bill is going to make me oppose anything that would put any money into any facility at Norfolk, Nebraska. And I mean that. When people from Norfolk support this kind of legislation, they're not reliable. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time. Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Combs.

SENATOR COMBS: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I was glad to hear Senator Chambers mentioning entropy. That's the theory that he's talking about, where everything kind of decays over a period of time, because entropy happens to our bodies. Sometimes entropy can happen to our ideas, and so that's why from time to time we need to shed a little light on them and kind of give them a B12 shot. So we're going to be giving a B12 shot to prevent entropy of some ideas here. I did pass out yesterday an excerpt from the book that's recently been published, called Freakonomics. And that's enjoyed some It's a book that's interesting and raises a lot of popularity. ideas. If you read this book, you will be helping to prevent progression of entropy in your mind. And I thank Senator Redfield for drawing my attention to this book, particularly Chapter 5. There's a chapter in Freakonomics that's called "What Makes a Perfect Parent?" And it says, which is more dangerous, a gun or a swimming pool? Which, we kind of heard that idea bandied about last year; we hadn't really heard about it this year. It says, no one is more susceptible to an expert's fearmongering than a parent. Fear is in fact a major component of the act of parenting. This leads a lot of parents to spend a lot of their parenting energy simply being scared. The problem is that they are often scared of the wrong things. The facts they do manage to glean have usually been varnished or exaggerated or otherwise taken out of context to serve an agenda that is not their own. Consider the parents