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SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I'd like to kind of take this from a different perspective. I was an elected official before I got...for eight years in Sarpy County, and so I've...and thank you, Senator Stuthman, a fellow former county commissioner here. And some of the discussion in Appropriations Committee on this issue is...and I think it's the same issue at the federal level, is whose responsibility is local law enforcement, and who should be paying for local law enforcement? I know Sheriff Burgess. I know the other sheriffs who called me. They're great people, and if I were sheriff, I'd be fighting tooth and nail to keep funding for drug task forces. And they've been good for the state. They've created cooperation. They've done a lot of good things. But this isn't an issue, to me, about the drug task forces, whether they're...what their function has been. It's about what the function of the state budget needs to be, and what happens when the state budget is used to fund local law enforcement. The reason the feds are getting out of the Byrne funding...and the Byrne funding has been...I mean, every year since I've been in the Legislature, and prior to that, other years, I mean, it has just been always one set of funds that have been highly criticized. And oddly enough, it's a coalition of the very conservative folks and probably what you'd call the very liberal folks. There have been some real problems with them around the country, which have fired up people that look at civil rights and things that have happened, and some very bad incarceration issues that happened. We didn't have any of that here. But it's enough to scare some people. The conservatives have looked at this issue and said, what is the federal government doing paying for local law enforcement? This isn't a good use of money. And the effectiveness issue that was rated by the White House Office of Management and Budget, which was the 13, which translates to a very...like, an F grade, was the overall effectiveness. And the fact is, the task forces generally are arresting the people Senator Chambers was talking about. These are not the high-level drug traffickers. And as a result, the federal government said, you know, they're really doing local law enforcement work. It isn't getting to the issues that we have in this country with drug issues. It isn't dealing with the supply chain. Drug prices are very low, and it's very available. And we need to be targeting our money