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With a 30 cent tax increase there will be a...someplace along the line of 12, 13, or 14 percent decrease in youth consumption. What is that? Well, there are 35,000 Nebraska youth today, that are under the ages of 18, that will live longer as a result of this bill. There are now about 35 to 40,000 smokers who are kids, but those kids are between 13 and 18, those kids are between 13 and 18. By the way, the average national age when you start to smoke is now between 13 and 14, and the best documentation in our state is 14, that's when kids start smoking. We have about 35 to 40,000 kids that are smoking now. But there's also those kids that are from 8 to 12, and those kids that are from 1 to 8. When you add up all the kids in the state, between 13 and 18, this bill, over time, will affect all of those kids as they move up into this age bracket. And of those kids, 35,000 who will take up smoking, will die prematurely as a result of that tobacco use. There will be more smokers than that. Why? There will be about 100,000 smokers, but 35,000 of them will have their lives prematurely cut back by the use of cigarettes, and that's from the Center for Disease Control study, in 1996. So, of the 100,000 kids that are going to smoke, 35,000 will die young. What happens if you can affect a 12, 13, or 14 percent reduction? It means that we're talking about 3,500, 4,000, 4,500, up to 5,000 kids, alive today, whose lives will be prematurely cut off by smoking, according to the Disease Center, who will be influenced by a raise in price under this bill. What sources do I have to describe this? The Disease for...I'm sorry. The Center for Disease Control tells us that there will be 35,000 kids, 18 and under,...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...alive today, that will die prematurely. Now, this is not funded by the tobacco industry, it's not part of the antitobacco establishment, and there is one, this is the source of data for people who attack general public health problems. And they say 35,000 kids, walking around today, alive today, or they could be in a child restraint unit in a van, will die prematurely because of smoking today. What about the reduction in consumption? Here the source comes from a number of places. If you were downstairs, you talked to one of our experts today. You'll have a chance to talk to them at noon. But, let's take a look at the National Cancer Institute. The