

and get licensed in another state and, indeed, I think that is what has happened at least in one or two instances. They are driving with a license from another state. So that is an added little problem. I guess, Senator Robak, I would like to mention a study that a constituent sent me and it was done out in California, and then I would like to ask you a question about that study. This one was done on the rate of accident rate of drivers in California and the group, the whole group consisted of 229 drivers as opposed to a sampling of 21,000 drivers. And the two-year total on fatal injury accident rate of the bioptic group were normalized to the age, sex distribution of the comparison sample. What the study says is that normalized accident rates for bioptic drivers were significantly greater than the corresponding rates for comparison drivers, and then it goes on to talk about it and analyze it a little bit more. I'm wondering if you have done any research in this area, question number one, and if we should be looking at California's experience, their recommendation after that study that they go ahead and continue to license bioptic drivers, but with greater use of license restrictions and more stringent postlicensing control. What kind of controls are built into this legislation? Should we be looking at what Senator Crosby suggested, perhaps more of a training period for bioptic drivers? I guess I'm kind of wondering what thoughts you might have in this regard.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: What year do you have that California report?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: This was published in 1983.

SENATOR ROBAK: Yes, I did do some research on that and we have the report in 1983 from the California Department of Motor Vehicles and they say they have the lowest...bioptic, telescopic drivers have the lowest accident rate of any handicapped or high risk driver.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Do you have anything outside of California? Is that...? That's not comparing with the population in general.

SENATOR ROBAK: Now, what was the question?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, Senator Robak, you've got figures there that do not compare with the population in general, and that's