

pro...this is just the beginning of the process. Recall that the process would then involve sending out a certified notice to the noncustodial parent telling them that in 30 days their license is going to be revoked if they don't come in here and get the facts straight, or make a payment plan, or go to the court and get modifications to their child support obligation, or get a payment plan made up, whole number of alternatives. Under the current bill they have 30 days in which to respond to that notice before any certification was sent over to the Department of Motor Vehicles. Under this amendment we're extending that to 60 days, to give them plenty of time to react to that notice that's being sent out. So now you can't send out the notice without verifying the facts, and, two, they have twice as long to respond to it as they did under the old bill. For those of you who are interested in looking at the actual language of the amendment, as soon as it's popped on your desk, number two is on page 8, line 24. Number three is on page 3, line 3 and 4. And number four is on page 3, lines 21 to 23. And number five is scattered in several sections and I'd be glad to point you towards those, if you're interested in that particular provision. But it does maintain the same administrative procedure. And I just wanted to mention to you why everyone in the group that was interested in this bill wanted to stay with administrative action rather than reverting back to the contempt powers of the court, as is suggested in Senator Witek's amendment. Her amendment does much the same as what ours does, it's just a difference in philosophy between the courts contempt powers and administrative proceedings. And the reason that people supporting the bill feel so strongly about administrative proceedings is because of the history of what's happened since administrative proceedings have been the methodology by which we have attempted to enhance child support payments. And I wanted to read some of these to you because they're very, very, very dramatic. In 1979, and up until this point in time, remember, the federal government and the state government was just beginning to get into the process of emphasizing child support. In 1979 the total child support collection, under the 4-D Program, was about \$2.5 million, \$2.5 million. That is all the way up until that point in time it was the contempt powers of the court that we basically relied upon in order to get child support enforcement, and we collected \$2.5 million. Since then, four years later, it was up to \$20.5 million. Think of that now, from 2.5 million to \$20.5 million, 4 years later it was at \$37 million. And during