

same, mirrors the exact same language that was in the federal Jacob Wetterling bill that, that we can agree on on something that would be for the majority of people, anyway, something that they could vote for because the legislation does need to go through, it needs to be enacted by '97 in order to comply with the federal government. The reasons that we are offering an amendment at all to Senator Abboud's bill was to comply more thoroughly with the federal piece of legislation and we added in some of the offenses that Senator Abboud's bill did not cover. One of them, the kidnapping offense, in particular was of interest to Roy Stephens who worked with me from Missing Youth, because in his youth he was the victim of a kidnapping and some really awful experiences that he related during the hearing in Judiciary. And also Jill Cutshall's mom came in and said that the individual who is in prison right now on this crime would not be classified under that language unless we added the kidnapping portion of this bill because, and that individual would have to register upon release because that, I believe that's the charge, and I'm not real clear on this, but I believe that's the charge that this individual was incarcerated under was the kidnapping charge. So they were really adamant to get in some of these additional offenses to cover their particular situations. These are victims, these are people who have been through these types of experiences with the people, with the sexual offender, and they came to us and said you need to put these things into the, whatever law comes out of here. When they saw the Abboud bill and it didn't have these offenses, they said you need to include these offenses because the Abboud bill, the way it stands coming out of committee, did not include these offenses. So for two reasons, to comply with the federal legislation, but not only to comply with the federal legislation because I know some of us have on occasion talked about, you know, federal mandates, et cetera, but because Nebraskans have come to us and talked to us about their personal experiences and told us we need to include these offenses to cover their situations. And I am more than willing to do that because there are really some horrible experiences that they related during the Judiciary hearing, and we need to be as sensitive to those situations and as comprehensive in this piece of legislation so that when we do enact it, it will be one of the best in the country and it will cover those areas of law that best help the people in the state who come to us, asking for our help. You can imagine how frightening it is for those, for those individuals, knowing that these people are not incarcerated for