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life, they will not be in prison for life, many of them will not be in prison for life. And yet to have that registration with law enforcement is really, law enforcement came to us asking for these tools too. We have complete support, I believe, from the law enforcement agencies to have...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR WITEK: ...these individuals registered here in the state of Nebraska because it's one more tool that they can use in these investigations and it makes it that much easier for them to do their job and that much faster. Because another point that was brought up during the committee hearings was the length of time when, when something occurs with a...and we're talking about minors here, you have to understand, this bill covers children, minors. These offenses are against children. And the length of time that the law enforcement have to react to these kinds of situations when a child is kidnapped or missing, the faster they can respond to these situations, the better it is in the long run for that child, if you can imagine who is, who is the victim of these situations. They try to respond as quickly as possible. This is one more tool to allow them to do that. So this is not only a necessary piece of legislation, but this is a piece of legislation that overwhelm, has overwhelming support in the state of Nebraska from law...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time.

SENATOR WITEK: ...enforcement and victims.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, Senator Abboud, could I, could I ask you some question, or ask you a question? I'm looking at the committee statement as it come out of LB 645. I noticed there's about three people that are proponents of the bill and then we have one, two, three, four people neutral. And, you know, knowing my time in the Legislature, some people are neutral-neutral, and some are neutral-negative, and some are just neutral. But I'm just wondering because we have two people representing the State Patrol that were neutral on this bill, administrator of the court. What, what did they testify in, in what reaction to the bill, Senator Abboud, do you remember? Do you recall this?