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out and get this information on the register to circulate it to the neighborhood as to who's on this register that might live in my neighborhood.

SENATOR ABOUD: Um-hum.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Or if I'm the publisher of a local newspaper and I want to identify people in my town who are on this register and publish it,...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...is that information available to me to do that? Is this confident...is this information for police only, or is it for the public, and where does it say that?

SENATOR ABOUD: The, this language is available only to law enforcement. Seventeen other states do take the next step that you just described of public notification, allowing the public to be aware of, of these sexual violent offenders. This bill does not take that step. So in dealing with your specific question...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Where does it say that, Chris?

SENATOR ABOUD: I believe that's in the, that goes back to the original bill. It doesn't deal with this amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Oh, okay.

SENATOR ABOUD: That's in the original bill.

SENATOR BEUTLER: But that's not intended to be allowed?

SENATOR ABOUD: That's correct.

SENATOR BEUTLER: At least the way it's drafted right now.

SENATOR ABOUD: Now, there...Senator Witek, I believe, will have, deal with that issue in a coming amendment, but on this particular bill, as it stands, it only goes to law enforcement. And that's where there's a split within jurisdiction. It's like I said, 17 states allow...