

livestock in that manner is not a crime in Nebraska. With the word abuse, they...maybe we're supposed to have presumed that they just mean abusive people, but I'm using an example that could very realistically happen today with reference to laws on a high profile issue. That would not be considered animal abuse in Nebraska. Let's say that you have a rodeo, and children below a certain age are not allowed to participate in rodeos. But in Nebraska they are. So if somebody had violated these laws someplace else, they wouldn't be violations of Nebraska law. But if you took the fact that an offense with a certain name had been committed by a person in another state and you look at that offense under its name in this state, and the elements of the offense are different, even though they have the same name, the same act or conduct is not implicated. So I hope before Senator Bernard-Stevens' amendment is rejected out of hand we do discuss it and consider whether some kind of language ought to be offered in this area. One thing that could be done is to go to this part of the bill, in Section 3 where it's talking about the types of things that the commissioner should review, and you could say that in this review of the conviction, the commissioner would have to determine, based on the elements of the offense in the other state, whether or not the two actions are the same. In one state that act is not a crime at all. In this state, maybe it is. But since we're talking about people coming from another state, you would be saying that in that state it's a crime, but in Nebraska it is not. So the question I would ask is this, if an act is not a crime in Nebraska, will a person who comes to this state be treated as though he or she committed an offense against the laws of Nebraska? Homicide is homicide. A human being...if it's criminal homicide. A human being was killed without justification by another human being in violation of the law. In Nebraska,...

SENATOR COORDSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that would be the same general concept embracing the notion of a homicide. So there wouldn't be a lot of trouble on something like that, but even there it could be. Let's say that a person driving a vehicle strikes another individual, and under the circumstances of that striking in another state it's a crime. Under the circumstances, if they occurred in Nebraska, it would be maybe careless driving, a traffic offense. And although traffic offenses are crimes, it