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SENATOR ABOUD: Kate wants to answer it, yeah.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Because there were some differences in some of the earlier laws of this nature. In order to make it a very strong law that, that was uniform across the United States so that an individual couldn't move from one state to the next and slip underneath the law, they would like to have this as uniform as possible across the United States and as similar in nature to offenses as possible.

SENATOR CROSBY: And, Senator, you say they, who is they? The law enforcement agencies?

SENATOR WITEK: Well, the federal government. But I think law enforcement would probably feel the same way, but I can't speak for them. But I think they would feel the same way. If you had a different law in Iowa with the list of offenses, and one in Nebraska, or something of that nature...

SENATOR CROSBY: Are there other laws that compare the same way across the country?

SENATOR WITEK: No, but I think there's kind of movements...I know in Banking we, the Uniform Commercial Code, we have tried to make things a little more uniform, especially something of this nature where an individual who is required to register in other states...

SENATOR CROSBY: So the federal government isn't sitting there with \$30 billion saying, if you don't do this we aren't going to give it to you.

SENATOR WITEK: I think there's some money to carry this out, but it's certainly not any...

SENATOR CROSBY: And what would it have to do with, what would that money be for?

SENATOR WITEK: I think it's to carry out the provisions of the