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SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Smith. Senator Raikes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, members of the Legislature. Senator Engel, could I ask you a question?

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Engel?

SENATOR ENGEL: Yes.

SENATOR RAIKES: This agreement, you're speaking about a reciprocal agreement with Iowa, but this legislation would permit similar agreements with other states surrounding Nebraska, is that true?

SENATOR ENGEL: Yeah, it would be with any state that would want to reciprocate with us, if they would pass, you know, the legislation allowing it. This would allow any state to make an agreement with us, yes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Do you know, Senator Engel, if any other states have expressed interest in this?

SENATOR ENGEL: South Dakota has.

SENATOR RAIKES: Getting back to the 15 miles, 15 miles apparently fits well in your area. As you sort of look around the border of the state, do you think that would be an appropriate number, say, with Wyoming, should an agreement come about there, or Kansas?

SENATOR ENGEL: Well, I don't really know. I'm more familiar with our area and with the Omaha area. I'm really not familiar with how far you do travel from across the border, across the Wyoming border. I know from Bob Wickersham's town of Harrison to the little town of Van Tassell, it's only 11 miles, but...

SENATOR CROSBY: Senators, could you please keep your conversations down...

SENATOR ENGEL: ...but I don't know how much commerce...how much commerce there is...