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bill and insert the following. Is that...

SENATOR BOHLKE: That's correct.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: What does that leave us in the main green copy bill then?

SENATOR BOHLKE: It leaves nothing in the main green copy of the bill, except saying that we are applying for the wav...immediately directs the Department of Health and Human Services to begin application for the waiver.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay.

SENATOR BOHLKE: And we've indicated then we'd, as Senator Chambers indicated, this certainly is not the end-all, where it would be as we worked towards Select File. But it would give us that vehicle to incorporate some other things that we may think would be necessary.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: So you might rebuild the bill entirely by Select File, that would...using probably some of the green copy now and some others? Is that...is that...

SENATOR BOHLKE: I don't know if we would use...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...the general concept, or...

SENATOR BOHLKE: Well, I don't think anyone's concept is particularly to use any of the green copy. I think the concept that we're saying is looking towards what would put Nebraska in a strong position of applying for the waiver and an analysis of what we currently have in place, and if that indeed doesn't already meet the requirements the federal government have stated are necessary for what a state must have in place, and allow us to have those conversations with people in Washington, and find out if that is not true.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay, thank you. Do you have any idea of the time table that this might take? Are you thinking it would probably take the rest of this year?