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the best thing that I could come up with to allow us to continue on the path. It's not a path that I particularly recommend, but it seemed to be the path that, on General File, the body was...was looking towards doing, the path of going ahead with a waiver application, but doing the things that we need to do in order to continue to provide child support in the state of Nebraska, in order to continue to receive federal assistance for the first, for this first year that federal assistance is \$15 million, and not expose ourselves to the possibility of a sanction of another \$58 million next year, for a total of \$73 million. And at some point in time we are going to have to get to the real basic question of whether or not we want to face those sanctions, whether or not we want to jeopardize our ability to collect child support, what our commitment really is. I believe that we have already made that decision by accepting federal assistance in the past, by substantially increasing our child support. And the other thing that's happened between the time of General File and now is that there have been attempts to...to garner from Washington assistance in...in our attempt to do this. And Senator Kerrey was approached, and Senator Kerrey looked into the matter, met with the individuals from the Office of Child Support Enforcement, in Washington, D.C., and not only did he come back with the conclusion that, yes, we would be sanctioned, yes, we would lose the \$15 million, but that there was a good reason that the federal government put this provision in place, because states that have gone to a centralized system are doing it in a much more efficient manner, it is costing them less to collect child support, and so there is a reason that this legislation was passed. The other thing that I would reiterate is that I believe that the political reality of it is that both parties want to claim credit for welfare reform. Welfare reform is important, it's significant. And all the rules changed with the passage of the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Act of 1996. And there was a commitment that welfare reform was going to work, and the single most important factor in determining whether welfare reform works is child support collection. And the federal government wants to have a system, nationwide, that...that can interact, so that they can do interstate intercepts, so that they can have information nationwide about how they are doing, that is meaningful, that is comparative to other states. And there...we are now in the position, between now...between the time that we