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Senator...Senator Thompson was busy a second ago, so I'm going to ask that question of her now. Senator Thompson, from what you told us, could any person, qualified to have a drivers' license, drive one of these vehicles on the roads that you laid out?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Would you yield, Senator Thompson?

SENATOR THOMPSON: Yes, and yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Could a youngster, who has one of these permits in a rural area to drive to school, drive one of these vehicles?

SENATOR THOMPSON: I'm going to have to double check that? Provisional. Oh, I'm sorry, I'm getting nodding. Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So then these are vehicles that anybody...what's the age at which you can get a drivers' license now? Is it still 16, or was that changed because of those other bills?

SENATOR THOMPSON: You can have a provisional license under 16, if you are 14 and you're driving to school, you could. But you couldn't go on a highway that had a posted speed limit of higher than 30 miles an hour.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So there are youngsters, whom I would describe as children, who can drive these on those highways with a speed limit not above 30 miles an hour.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If the purpose of these vehicles, if I understood you, is to help these older people who have trouble...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...getting around, should be...excuse me, should we put an age limit? And there won't be enough time for Senator Thompson to answer that, so I'll put my light on again.