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program to program. So the pharmacist is not...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR TYSON: ...left in any doubt as to what he will get...

SENATOR VRTISKA: Okay.

SENATOR TYSON: ...for dispensing that prescription.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Okay. I understand what you're doing and I intend to support it. I just wanted to get some clarification about the difference in one card as opposed to different companies or different insurance plans, that apparently it's included in the single card, so...

SENATOR TYSON: It's my understanding, Senator, the card...from card to card, out of all the companies issuing them, there is a wide divergence in not only what the information provided is but how it is presented on the card. This is a shortcut to having everybody do it the same way while maintaining the individual benefits of their prescription plan.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Okay. All right. I appreciate that. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Vrtiska. Thank you. Further lights? Senator Janssen, on the Tyson amendment to...

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Members of the Legislature, I stand in strong support of this amendment. This will help not only the pharmacist but the consumers also. As we all know, costs of pharmaceuticals have risen dramatically in the last few years and I believe that a lot of the recordkeeping and so on has contributed to that cost. And it will be beneficial for the insurance companies also if we have a universal card of this order. And it's worked in other states. I'm going to...I'll be surprised if it...if it isn't on the agenda in a lot of the other states that don't have it at this present time. And I have several druggists that have brought this idea to me in past years and said that we need to do