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adoption of the committee amendments. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Baker. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Synowiecki, on the Chambers amendment.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Baker, would you yield, please?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker.

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Going back to page 30, and I believe we're speaking here of the identification cards. I'll just read, beginning in line 1: "while the Department of Motor Vehicles is unable to access the Social Security Administration for validation of the person's Social Security number, the department may verify the validity of the Social Security number after issuance of the card." I think you presented, Senator Baker, that it's a federal mandate or something that Social Security numbers have to be validated. But here it seems to indicate that the department has some discretion into whether or not to verify a Social Security number upon issuance of identification cards. Can you clarify that "may" in there for me?

SENATOR BAKER: Well, they can go ahead...yes, thank you, Senator Synowiecki. They may go ahead, if they see no problems with this and it would appear to be a valid Social Security number, they can go ahead and issue that card, whether it's an ID card or driver's license. The same language is in the bill prior to this dealing with drivers' licenses. They may issue it without verifying it, and then at such time as they can access the data bank, database, to verify it, then they go ahead and do that. And then the rest of this language, new language in there, says, if it's not validated by Social Security Administration, then the department may cancel that card. And it also applies to drivers' licenses, of course. So it gives them some flexibility, if they can't access the database to validate it, to go ahead and offer that...or issue that ID card or driver's license, and then validate the number later. And if