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SENATOR BOURNE: With what authority?

SENATOR BAKER: Well, I think they're simply trying to provide...or prevent identity theft here, and they're simply validating licenses...or Social Security numbers.

SENATOR BOURNE: See, I guess I was under the impression that our agencies can only do what we authorize them to do, and we have not authorized them to validate these Social Security numbers. Now, maybe...this whole thing is turning into kind of a confusing mess, so maybe I don't understand. But it seems to me that DMV is doing something that they have no authority to do.

SENATOR BAKER: They have it under the U.S. Code. I've been handed this (inaudible)...

SENATOR BOURNE: But...okay, so here...but Senator Synowiecki just says that there is no authority under the U.S. Code, that it's a permissive. But...

SENATOR BAKER: That's right. It's...that's right, it's a permissive.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. So a state may do...?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes, and they are...

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay.

SENATOR BAKER: ...choosing to do it.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. So...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time. Thank you, Senator Bourne, Senator Synowiecki. Senator Aguilar.

SENATOR AGUILAR: Thank you, Mr. President. I'd like to yield some of my time to Senator Bourne to finish his thought.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you.