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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Senator Aguilar, Mr. President. Okay. Senator Baker, if you would continue this dialogue, and we'll just take a minute. I do have my light on. We won't take all Senator Aguilar's time. The federal government says it's permissive. Okay. I understand that. So then you come down to state statute. And again, maybe I'm misunderstanding, but an agency cannot do anything, cannot lift a finger, turn a tap, unless the Legislature passes a statute that allows them to do so. And what I hear you saying is that we have allowed DMV to take Social Security numbers, but nowhere in statute can I find that they are allowed to verify. And you're saying they're verifying now. And maybe, again, I'm confused, because we've gone through this bill a number of times and it seems to get more muddy and convoluted each time we discuss it. But is that an accurate assessment of what's the conduct by DMV now?

SENATOR BAKER: I think they're using good judgment in validating these. It's...under U.S. Code they may, and they're using this database to validate them. I don't see why they wouldn't want to validate them.

SENATOR BOURNE: If the federal government says they can do something, can they do it without our permission?

SENATOR BAKER: No.

SENATOR BOURNE: Well, that's my question. So you've handed out this document...or this document, you talked about they've validated these Social Security numbers. But don't they need authority via statute to do so?

SENATOR BAKER: That question I can't answer. I'm not a lawyer, to be honest with you.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. Well, I'm going to give the rest of my time back to Senator Aguilar. I do have my light pushed. And again, this issue gets more confusing the more we talk about it. Thank you.