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felonies or numerous things, that live here under fake IDs. But once they get entered into the system under that fake ID, or fake name, it's so hard to figure out who they really are. And that's how Mexico, in cooperation a little bit with the United States, came about with the matricula, to try and combat fraudulent ID, and why it's recognized by so many states' law enforcement agencies. I would yield any of my remaining time to Senator Aguilar, if he wishes to comment more on the matricula.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Mossey. Senator Aguilar.

SENATOR AGUILAR: Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Senator Mossey. I appreciate your comments. By the way, it's pronounced "Himenez." (Laugh) I want to thank Senator Baker for his efforts in recognizing the problem we're dealing with here, and taking the effort to do something about it. I really appreciate it. And I do...I will support his amendment. While I'm...have the floor, I want to point out a couple of things here in relation to Social Security numbers. The state of Nebraska, through statute, recognizes that you don't have to have a Social Security number to be registered to vote. If the applicant for voter registration does not have a Nebraska driver's license or a Social Security number, the Secretary of State shall assign the applicant a number which will serve to identify the applicant for voter registration purposes. You don't have to have a Social Security number to file a lien in Nebraska. You don't have to have a Social Security number...excuse me, let me restate that. You do, however, have to have a Social Security number to be a bingo chairperson or an alternate bingo chairperson. That's kind of interesting, I felt. And you do not have to have a Social Security number or a state ID to file an income...file for income tax. And I...

SENATOR CUDABACK: You're now on your time, Senator.

SENATOR AGUILAR: ...think that's particularly interesting...okay, thank you. I think that's particularly interesting, because if there's an opportunity for the state to get some money, get some profit out of this, well, then they're not going to be quite as particular about whether or not that person has a Social Security number. I'll close for now. Thank