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times when the Guard is called up to address certain emergencies within the state. And I'm sure you can think of lots of those that have happened in the past years, where maybe a tornado has hit, or maybe a major flood has occurred. Generally they're natural disaster kinds of situations. Maybe there's been a terrible snowstorm and blizzard and people can't get out of their farmhouses and ranches. Guard is called up to active duty at those times, and that's really a lot about what this bill applies to.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Let me ask this. Many of the provisions of the bill, as I indicated to Senator Vrtiska, seem to address the hardship of Guard people who are...who have left their home, or are someplace else. For example, you don't want a mortgage foreclosed upon...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Right.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...while somebody is in Iraq serving their country. Do these situations to which the...and we've discussed that this would be a...that that would be a federal call-up, so it wouldn't be affected by this bill. But let's say, for example, are there situations, are there any situations where the Guard may be required to leave their place of residency and go on state active duty...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...for an extended period of time? In other words, if we're limiting this...did you say time, Senator Cudaback?

SENATOR CUDABACK: No, I said one minute, Senator.

SENATOR BEUTLER: One minute. If we're limiting this to those situations, is it conceivable that in many of those situations the Guard person would continue to live at home but go out during the daytime on active duty someplace? Is that a distinct possibility?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: It could happen either way. And I think it