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going to be possible, Senator Jensen?

SENATOR JENSEN: Well, I think it will be possible, with all the preparation that has come together. Health and Human Services will take those six regions and all their plans and merge them together and come up with a plan by that time. They've already gone a long way down the road in doing this, as a matter of fact. And so they're going to be kind of filling in, in the blanks. So I think it can be and then the oversight committee will continue to monitor that and they will go over that with a fine-tooth comb and then return it back to them. But I think it is a plan that there is plenty of oversight and there's going to be a lot...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR JENSEN: ...the work has just begun on this, I'll tell you.

SENATOR STUHR: Right. Okay, thank you. Thank you very much, Senator Jensen. And again, I do appreciate all of the work that has gone into this which is, I think, is going to be a great change for the state of Nebraska in caring for all of these people. I do also have some other questions in regards to some of the advisory committees, but I will leave that for a later time, so thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Senator Connealy, followed by Senators Janssen, Mines, Schimek, Stuthman, Bromm, Burling, Johnson, Maxwell and Combs. Senator Connealy.

SENATOR CONNEALY: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I signed on this amendment, I'm happy to. I think that this helps the bill immensely. If we were...have, at least from my perspective, and my perspective is from northeast Nebraska, who have some constituents and family members who use services in that region, that I feel more comfortable that we are looking at it from the other direction. We are looking at more from building and then closing, compared to closing and then building, and I appreciate that. I thought I'd mention a couple of things about the amendment that I wanted to highlight. The