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be equally anxious to do that. So thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Speaker Brashear. On with discussion. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion of advancement of LB 61, Senator Synowiecki.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. I, too, have some questions relative to the exclusion of some of these provisions in section (2), but also, Senator Burling, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Burling, would you yield?

SENATOR BURLING: Yes.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Senator, as I understand it, there's public adoptions and then there's also private adoptions handled not by the state, as I understand it, and would this, would the provisions within LB 61, have any impact whatsoever on adoptions that are handled in the state of Nebraska on a private basis?

SENATOR BURLING: No, sir. We're...it wouldn't. We went through this, your question and many others like that, we went through that in 2002 when LB 952 was passed. LB 61 this morning simply clarifies where this information can be attained from, so it doesn't do anything...LB 61 changes nothing in the area that you're referring to.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: So I can, Senator Burling, I can be assured that relative to the provisions in this bill, they have no impact whatsoever on private adoptions.

SENATOR BURLING: No. No.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Okay. Thank you, Senator Burling. I appreciate you yielding and I'll give the rest of my time back to the Chair. Thank you, Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Synowiecki. Senator Howard, you're recognized.