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SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, and not being familiar with the old compact, which I'm not, I mean I don't know off the top of my head how much broader and deeper this is than what was part of the old original compact. But, Senator Beutler, I would give you the rest of my time, because I don't have any more questions at this time, if you would like to take it.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Schimek, I think the questions are good questions. I have nothing to add at this point, except to remind you again, we leave it in our own hands. What's wrong with that?

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: It's a power that has been in our hands and should be in our hands still, I think.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, your light is next, if you wish to. He waives the opportunity. Following Senator Beutler was Senator Thompson. Senator Thompson, you're recognized.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Just to review with you, the people who worked on making this compact change understood the difficulty of where to start. If you had put all the rules of the compact into state statute, that was a burdensome task legislatively for approval of all of those. So they felt the best way to manage the movement of juveniles is through an enforceable compact between states that results from member states in an ongoing participative process for administrative and rule changes. And that's why this is set up differently than the previous one. And they said, you know, you can't...you can't do both. You have to start with one or the other. The view of the people who worked to make this change, which is definitely needed--I don't think anyone has disputed that--felt it would be most effective to create it through this commission, this national commission. There are ways for the states to opt out of any rules made by those commissions. Article V says if a majority of the legislatures of the compacting state reject a rule by enactment of a statute or resolution in the same manner used to adopt the compact, then the rule shall have no further effect. Article X says