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to what is causing the increase in Medicaid cost. What causes a person to go on Medicaid? Lack of insurance? Certainly that's one of them. Maybe it's advantageous for a person to divest themselves of all their assets so that they can go on Medicaid so they're not putting out their own dollars. That's one of But there's a lot more that are out there that I think we need to look at. The bill looks at those causes of why a person goes on Medicaid, and is there something that we as a state can do to prevent that from happening; not build walls, but to perhaps build either incentives or to build other stopgaps that will not necessitate going on to Medicaid on the first place. Then it's to ensure the future sustainability of the Medicaid program. We've got people on there. Senator Byars mentioned some of those individuals with autism, some of those with disabilities, mental illness, that certainly cannot survive without Medicaid, and we need to ensure that that is there for them in the future. And then we need to establish priorities. be out of the Legislature long before it happens, but one of my goals was to...the whole Health and Human Services System to establish priorities, and to list those and where should our emphasis be, where should the dollars be spent. know, 36 percent of the state dollars are in Health and Human Services and, yet, we don't have a clear priority system of to how those are to be established. Then there's another thing, and you know the minute you talk about personal responsibility you have some people look at you and label you as either from one party or another party or whatever that is. But I can't forget attending a conference and an individual was talking about the health predictors of each individual citizen. He said that there are...10 percent of the health predictors are in access--do you have access to healthcare; 20 percent comes from environment -- the air you breathe, the water you drink. boy, if you look back at the great advances in health, it's not because we have now a heart transplant or that we have better dialysis and so on and so forth. The greatest achievement that we've made in this country since 1900 is good water, good water. And in all of our Third World countries, that's the greatest predictor of health, is water. So environment. Twenty percent is genetics. You deal with the cards that were dealt to you. If your parents had a heart condition, there's probably a pretty good chance you're going to have that. So 10 percent access,