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process that was outlined whatsoever. It said these are the areas we should look at; the Chairperson of the committee is going to introduce a bill next year. So when you look at what's in the green copy, I was working under the impression, and I think that Chairman of the committee was as well, what did we learn in that process and how do we improve upon that? If you'll also remember back under the LB 724 proposal, there were meetings held throughout the state. Now, we have learned from different areas of the state that there may have been a better job of having meetings with certain individuals in their communities than maybe what there was or what was perceived, but I think those are processes that we learn from. And with the current leadership in the Health Committee and with the current membership of the Health Committee that was here in place at that time, it was logical then to say we are going to use a similar format. And through discussions within the committee, with the Chairman and others, that's where we came to. Then it became evident that that wasn't a universally accepted or universally understood process, and so it would be in our best interests to kind of outline what those ideas would look like. If you remember back when we went through the process of behavioral health reform, at least from my area, I know that we had individuals that came to western Nebraska, that sat down with providers in round-table discussions, they sat down with consumers in round-table discussions, they sat down with elected officials and discussed this is what we're thinking about doing, what are your thoughts, how can we adopt or modify our plan to meet what your concerns are and still take the best ideas that you have and implement those? That's what happened under LB 724. None of that was written in statute, none whatsoever, because the goal wasn't to say, well, we can just introduce a bill. The goal was to get the input of the people who would be affected. AM1049 is before you under those similar processes. We want the elected officials in this state to be a part of this discussion. We want them to be at the table at the point of plan or proposed report is submitted so that they can say we have concerns about this area; we would like to see this looked at, or whatever their minutes of their meeting may be within the discussion. You also have the advocates on this council who would be a part of this discussion. It's amazing to me, and maybe it shouldn't surprise me, but I guess it's amazing to me