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easily converted, and other states did not prohibit them. But then I understood from Senator Bourne that, indeed, that's not true and that if I tried to bring that amendment, it would be fought. So I'm not going to bring that amendment, but I would be interested in finding more out about the use of liquid in meth labs that have been busted by the state patrol, how many liquid gels and liquids are they finding. You know, that would be of interest to me, if I could get that data. A side note, I tell a personal story. I shop at the Dollar Store quite a bit, and I shop...was shopping down here at the one on O Street, and this is about, oh, maybe six weeks ago I was in there. I was buying some cleaners and stuff, and I was checking out and this hopped-up guy--and I know he was hopped-up, I've seen him--he comes up to the clerk, interrupts our transaction and says, do you sell HEET? And the clerk was like, what? And, I need some HEET. And he said, I need five or six bottles of HEET, you know, like what you start your engines with. And she says, no, we don't have that. And I suggested to him, I said, well, I think you can just go right down the road here to Wal-Mart and pick you some up. And he said, I don't have a car. And then, you know why that scared me? I live right here in this neighborhood all week long, and that tells me that that guy lives in this neighborhood and he's got a meth lab, right here around the Capitol. I saw him; he was a hop head. I know it. So, you know, he went on down the street. I don't know where else he went, to find his HEET, but you know, we got this thing...all these common, household chemicals that are meth-alert items that, you know, you see people buying this stuff. You know what they're doing with it. Coleman fuel...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR COMBS: ...lithium batteries, pseudoephedrine cold remedies, drain cleaners, and muriatic acid, deicer, starting fluid, HEET, and Coleman camping fuel. I think that the Dollar Store story just kind of exemplifies for me, hey, I got it around here and if they cannot get it, it might help deter some of the lab people that are around. And if that happens to just one lab, perhaps this "feel-good" bill is worth it, you know? It's like when preachers preach and preach the Holy Bible to the crowd, if one person gets saved in a week's revival, it's been