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A greater percent than 80 may be what's coming into this state. You are not going to achieve perfection in the sense of closing down every one of these labs. The police don't even go around searching. They don't know where to look. It could be in a house, it could be in a trailer, it could be in a cave. could be anywhere. They're not going to go looking for them. Somebody will give them a tip, or somebody will see something, or as Senator Aguilar pointed out, one may blow up and people get burned up. So this is going to make people feel like they've done something, but if a monster was out there before it was enacted, a monster remains. If that monster was growling and prowling, it will continue to growl and prowl. Not one of its fangs will have been pulled, not one of its claws will have been taken. It's still going to be in full strength, in full fury, raging through this society, doing what it had always done, because what you're doing with this bill, and any similar bill, is dealing with the nail on the little toe of the dragon. The dragon remains untouched. The dragon is still there. all that you will succeed in doing is crippling the honest people, the law-abiding people, the old people that I'm talking That's where your bill will be effective, 100 percent. These old people cannot send somebody to the store. taken care of that. Somebody to have a job which might entail selling Sudafed cannot keep that job if he or she is 18 years old and 360-some odd days. You'll take care of that. somebody doesn't have a driver's license or a identification card, they cannot make a purchase. You've taken care of that. So you're doing a good job ...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...of cutting out the law-abiding people. You're going to achieve that, but the rest of it you're not going to touch. Methamphetamine is an excuse to put in the law all of these inconveniences and unfair burdens on innocent people who are ill. And you're done something, yeah, you've done something, but it is harmful. When eagles get involved in legislation, the judgment is blinded. Now if I were going to adopt the same attitude of those who support this legislation, I would make you go to cloture. That is not my interest. I'm trying to reason with you. And my reasoning will not achieve