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about. The way Senator Beutler read my mind just now is scary. But he does know the only thing that I'm going to say on this bill, with reference to the logbook, I just don't think the bill is worth all of the inconvenience it's putting on honest people. I'm going to say it again--second verse, same as the first. I'm Henry the VIII, I am! I knew that would get some attention. This bill, if it's 100 percent effective, accepting the statistic given by Senator Aguilar, 20 percent of the meth available in this state will have been eradicated. And you think it will not be replaced? Let's say it won't be replaced; 80 percent of the meth is still going to be here, and the cops cannot deal with it. So let's have this guy sitting at the screen or whatever you sit at when you're doing what Senator Beutler's going to have him doing. He hits the button, and how's he going to know what names to compare? So he says, okay. All of the sales of people who gave their name, starting with A, will come up. And I'll go through all of the As and see if I see the same name more than once. So I see the name--Adams, Adams, Adams, but I don't have an address. So I look at the first name, first name A. Adams. The second one, Abbie Adams. The third one, Abigail Adams. Now this cop has to think about this. Are all three of those the same person? Could the name be Abigail? She calls herself Abbie, and sometimes she uses just the first initial. So he pulls out a cup of coffee, Senator Bourne, and one of the Dunkin' Donuts or Krispy Kreme, and take a few bites of the donut to clear his brain. Then he'll say, you know--because that puts him in a mellow mood--I don't even care. If she is going to be that imaginative, go on, girlfriend! Then he'll go to the next one. I don't think any of that is practical, because none of it is going to have any impact on the meth problem. None of this is going to have any impact. I wouldn't say that if I thought all my enemies were just waiting for me to blunder like that, would have something to hit me with. They'd say, By God, he was right again. I hate him! He's always right. Senator Bourne knows that what I'm saying is true. Senator Beutler knows that it's true. Everybody knows that it's true. Even Senator Flood knows that it's true. You're not going to touch 80 percent of it, but you feel better, because now you have the names of honest people who were sick and needed this product. And that's what you've done. An 18-year-old who could have had a job in a store cannot have