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the body is the Bourne amendment to the Judiciary Committee amendments to LB 713. Senator Synowiecki.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members. Senator Bourne, would you yield?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: Yes.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: Senator "Corn," I truly, appreciate all the work, all the hard work the committee put into these bills, and particularly as you're attempting to strike the domestic violence portion of these, LB 633, LB 632, LB 535, which obviously I have a little bit of an interest in. You know, these bills represented a lot of hard work on behalf of a lot of individuals within the system, working with the advocates and so forth, as Senator Pahls has done as well. And, you know, I can assure you that after having worked on the front lines within the system for over ten years that there are portions of these bills that do indeed, I believe, represent sound public policy, and I don't think, in my discussions with some of the advocates and with some of the committee amendments, I don't think we're miles apart by any means on some of these issues. What I'm seeking is perhaps if we can salvage, at least, parts or components of these bills, either between now and Select File, or perhaps even I'd be willing to, during the interim, to enter into a dialogue with you and some other committee members to see if perhaps we can arrive at some consensus. I don't think we're miles apart. I just...actually, I'll give you the rest of my time if you want to respond to that overture.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Senator Synowiecki.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: You know, I have been approached by several people from various advocacy groups that want to sit down and one in particular that I need to set up a meeting. I'm going to try to do that tomorrow. I apologize. At this time of the year