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File, I have family members that live in other states, that have taken this course. The next question I would have of Senator Jensen is, if everyone wanted to go take this course...I checked on it. I'll be honest with you, I have the application form here in my hand. These classes are full. And they're offered here at Southeast Community College. I don't know how far down the list they were full. But I couldn't get in. What would we do, say, in western Nebraska? We need to get these things up to where we have training courses out there. How long would you give us to take this course?

SENATOR JENSEN: Senator Baker, that's a reasonable question. And I would certainly be willing to work, if there is...if you can show me that we need additional time, that we can simply extend that time for that training period. I do want to make one mention, and that's that LB 70 did not add one additional training hour to the present bill. So...and I know training is important to you. I even have a copy of the McCook Gazette, where you wrote in and said it was important. And that's one of the reasons why I put it actually into this amendment.

SENATOR BAKER: You got to be careful what you say to whom, I guess.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BAKER: It might show up (laugh) in the Gazette back on the floor here. But one of my concerns of the rural area is, we're not going to...we don't have these courses available out there every weekend. And these are basically every weekend all summer at Southeast Community College. We don't have those out there in western Nebraska, I'll be honest with you. And I...it concerns me, if we're going to require them, then we better have them offered so we don't deny these people the right to take them. And they're not...they're expensive. Twelve students per class. Tuition is 150 bucks. You're not going to take these just on a whim. So I'm more than willing to work with Senator Jensen, Senator Smith. What we have here is, and I agree with Senator Beutler, it's unworkable. It's a bit ridiculous, to be honest with you. But that's where we are. And we'll fix this thing so that we can make it workable. And I'm a firm believer