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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Bourne, would you like to remind the body what FA282 contains, please?

SENATOR BOURNE: Yes. Yes, Mr. President, thank you. This will be my opening on this component. As you heard at the beginning, there were several issues that we had discussed on General File and put into an amendment that Senator Aguilar allowed me to substitute for his amendment. And what this component contains is that, instead of a clerk having to be 19 years of age to sell pseudoephedrine-based product, they have to be 18. That is consistent with other areas of our statute. It also...it also strikes the language that raised some questions on General File that simply said an operator's license or state identification card, and would insert a valid driver's license or operator's license, a Nebraska state identification card, a military identification card, an alien registration card, or a passport. So this component does two things. It reduces the age of the clerk selling the product from 19 to 18, and makes more clear what driver's license or, excuse me, what identification has to be presented upon the purchase of a pseudoephedrine-based product. With that, I don't believe there's any opposition to this component. I would ask for your adoption of FA282. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bourne. Open for discussion on the second component. Senator Aguilar. Senator Aguilar waives his opportunity. Senator Janssen, followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature. Senator Bourne, thank you for filing this amendment. These were a couple of the concerns that I had on General File. It made no sense at all that if you could be 18 years of age to buy the product but you had to be 19 to sell it. Well, you know, that's not...that's not consistent with statutes in other areas of controlled substance. I guess that's what you're going to have to call this now. That would be fine. I don't...I don't really realize what...how we can do it otherwise on the identification than this. You know, I had suggested that