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SENATOR CHAMBERS:    What would be the state farthest...

SENATOR CUDABACK:    One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    ...east, but on this side of that river,  
which would be included in the middle west, in your opinion?

SENATOR KOPPLIN:    I believe that would be Ohio.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    So you would consider Ohio to be a nearby  
state.

SENATOR KOPPLIN:    Yes, I would.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Thank you. I'd like to ask Senator Aguilar a  
question.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    Senator Aguilar, would you yield?

SENATOR AGUILAR:    Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Senator Aguilar, was Ohio what you had in  
mind in the term "nearby state"?

SENATOR AGUILAR:    That's probably a little farther east than  
what I had in mind.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Thank you. I'd like to ask Senator  
Synowiecki a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK:    Senator Synowiecki, would you respond?

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI:    Yes. Thank you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS:    Senator Synowiecki, what do you think of in  
terms of a nearby state?

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI:    I think of Hawaii, Alaska, and Florida.  
(Laughter)