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SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Combs,...

SENATOR COMBS: Yes.

SENATOR CUDABACK: ...would you respond?

SENATOR THOMPSON: And this is because I'm kind of curious now about why it costs \$100 initially and only \$50 to renew. It's my understanding, from reading the amendment that was adopted on LB 454, that when a person renews, they still have to...the issuing agency, which is the State Patrol, would have to assure that the person was still meeting all of the requirements of the bill. Is that correct?

SENATOR COMBS: That's correct. That's Section 10, number (2).

SENATOR THOMPSON: So, for the record, they will have to do a record check, state and national, of mental health competency?

SENATOR COMBS: I believe that's up to the State Patrol. It says...that would be my understanding. It says, subject to continuing compliance with the requirements of Section 7 of this act.

SENATOR THOMPSON: So the state is liable if they issued a permit or reissued a permit to a person who had been deemed mentally ill or incompetent in another state.

SENATOR COMBS: That I don't know. Is that your interpretation?

SENATOR THOMPSON: Well, I just...I guess what I heard was that they pay 50 bucks and are in compliance with all of these things, like eyesight and all of the other portions of the bill, which I think are very important and very good to have in those terms, when they renew, they would also have to continue to comply with all those aspects.

SENATOR COMBS: Right, including mental...your mental...

SENATOR THOMPSON: Right.