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response to the problem in my area. What I'm hoping is that that same thing is instigated in other communities throughout our state, and that this bill and what it addresses, and particularly if you'd read the intent language in the treatment bill, is that it would instigate a collaborative effort from communities across the state to have a response to the prevalence...to the increase and prevalence of prostitution.

SENATOR FISCHER: Do you know how many women are served now by WELLSRING and how much money they spend?

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: No, I don't know what their budget is. I can just assure you it's inadequate because, like I said, they don't even have a residential component.

SENATOR FISCHER: What criteria do you see for participation in the program?

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: I...it is for individuals that are involved in prostitution activity. Define that, I would say a criminal conviction for prostitution would suffice to say that that would serve as a way to define that an individual is involved in prostitution.

SENATOR FISCHER: What do you see as, I guess, the length of treatment, and then how often these women would have to go for treatment? What's an average?

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: That's an excellent question, Senator Fischer, and that's exactly why I think we need a special prostitution-specific track to our already available continuum of cares. Within the state of Nebraska we have six regional behavioral health authorities that facilitate the treatment within each of them behavioral health authorities. Then within each of them, we have a continuum of cares, residential level, inpatient, outpatient, you know, intensive outpatient, and what this would add is funds for prostitution-specific mode of treatment. So, to answer your answer your question, it would depend upon the assessment by a clinician in the community. So if one of these individuals, for instance, would go to Senator Pedersen, who is a certified counselor in this area, it would be