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SENATOR JOHNSON: Senator Cudaback, members of the body, I don't want to take a long time in support of this, this morning, but if the previous bill on diabetes was important, this is far more important than the previous bill. The thing is, with diabetes you have a little time with which to work. When you're talking about asthma and anaphylaxis, it can be immediate. I have two young acquaintances, physicians, one of which had severe asthma, and they went to a remote area and forgot to bring her medications along with her, and the unfortunate thing is, is that only one of them came back. So having a personnel there who is obviously extremely well-trained and so on will not cut it. You have to have the medications and you have to have them promptly. So again, this is a well-thought-out bill with good amendments, and I recommend it to you strongly. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Johnson. Senator Redfield.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. One of the reasons I think that this is very important, besides the health impact, is the fact that currently we have informed parents who probably are putting these medications into the hands of their children and sending them off to school, knowing that in fact they could run afoul of the policy of the school district, but knowing that their child's life is more precious to them than obeying that rule. And I think it's important that we send a message to our children that we do obey the rules and this is a way that we can come together and we can create rules that make sense, rules that are the best...for the best of our children's health. And so by working together, the school districts, the teachers in the classroom can be aware that the student is carrying this medication and they can be available in an emergency. But at the same time, we are allowing children to take charge of their health and that's important, that we train children who have these conditions to take care of emergencies. There will not always be an adult right next to them when it occurs, and it's important that they know what to do. It's important that we empower them, and it's important that we inform the school personnel that the child has this condition and has the medication available to treat that.