

devices. In the past, of course, we've had the hours that you can call restricted. We've also not allowed for emergency numbers to be called or sequential dialing information to be used, those kind of devices to be used. In addition now, we allow for what is called a "do not call" list. If you don't want to be called by a certain entity that is using these, you can get on that list and they are not to call you back again. We also allow for the Public Service Commission to, if some of these dialing devices are calling emergency numbers, to seize the device without a warrant to allow them to stop that problem. In addition, we allow the Public Service Commission to keep that machine if they find that they have been in violation of the statutes and rules and regulations. One of the things they are finding is that that would be a great deterrent from abuse of the law and so they would have that additional power to enforce and carry out the rules and regulations. We do allow for administrative fines, additionally. We have not allowed that in the past, but we feel that, again, to carry out the restrictions under the statutes that we've had in place and these new restrictions need the ability to find those that would violate those. So that is an additional part of the bill, but I want to note that this additional fine authority is directly restricted to dialing devices in that area. There is a severability clause added as well. So that's essentially what the bill does. It has a few new additional restrictions on dialing devices. It did have some concerns that some individuals had that we did address to the committee amendments and those are incorporated in the amendment. I would like to note that just this morning the Supreme Court, United States Supreme Court has indicated they will allow states to ban these dialing devices and you can anticipate legislation next year that will take that step. I would plan on introducing that, but because of the time constraints we're under this year, we will not attempt to do that, but I'm just giving you fair warning that for the first time we've had an indication that these dialing devices can be more than just regulated. They can, in fact, be banned according to the U.S. Supreme Court and so that is certainly something to look at, but under what we thought we were able to do which is only to regulate, this legislation, this amendment will take us farther than we have been and will help to deal with this problem of dialing devices. With that, I'd be happy to answer questions. Would ask for adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Senator Will, followed by Senators Moore and Hall. Senator Will.