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recommend that it be replaced on Select File as amended. LB 118 Select, File, LB 255 Select File, LB 288 Select File as amended, 264 Select File as amended, 226 Select File as amended, 66 Select File as amended, 307 Select File as amended and 303 Select File as amended. Signed Senator Dworak, Chairman. Mr. President Government and Military and Veterans Affairs gives notice of committee hearings at 1:00. Signed Senator Rasmussen, Chairman. Mr. President, I like unanimous consent to rebracket LB 339 until April 9, 1975. Signed Senator Cope. That is all Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: We are now on Final Reading. I'll ask all nonmembers of the Nebraska Legislature to please leave the floor and ask that all members take their chairs. Mr. Clerk would you read for the final time LB 206.

CLERK: Read LB 206.

Recorder turned off.

SENATOR LUEDTKE: Mr. President, members of the Legislature I have requested this morning to make a report to the Legislature pursuant to Section 83-4105 on behalf of the Nebraska Law Enforcement Justice and Advisory Committee which is a Judiciary Committee. This is a statutory requirement that once each year prior to March 31 a report be given to the Legislature as to any comprehensive penal reform plan underway and get a progress report to the Legislature. This has been done periodically. Since we will not be meeting on the 31st, it shall be done today. Parenthetically I would just like to say before I give the report itself, which would not take too long but I'd like to give it to you, I know there sometimes is a feeling in this body that the Judiciary Committee comes out with so many bills and it looks just like it's for the sake of getting out bills, staff works, and just to confront us with a lot of bills. I want you to understand, through this report, the reason for these bills and why the Judiciary Committee staff prepares these bills before we meet each year and why we have this kind of a work load. Back in 1971 LB 1019 established the Nebraska Law Enforcement Justice Advisory Committee whose responsibilities are, and I merely repeat this because I think some of you who are new in the Legislature for the past two terms might not be acquainted with it, the committees duties are to conduct research and propose necessary legislation in the areas of indigent litigation, law enforcement, penology, judicial reform as it deems necessary and shall work in cooperation with the Nebraska Commission on Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice. This is the Crime Commission. The object of which is to make available to this Legislature and the people of the state of Nebraska as much of the funding as is possible to be obtained through the Law Enforcement Assistance Administration through the Federal Government and the Crime Commission here in Nebraska. This report, as I say, is made, however, pursuant to LB 1119 passed by the 1972 session of the Legislature which provides for the submission of a comprehensive penal reform plan. A plan had to be designed to incorporate all aspects of corrections and rehabilitation and the law says this: "Which shall include but not be limited to a three level penal system consisting of maximum, medium and minimum correctional institutions,