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you're worried about what is going to happen around the state, you only have to worry about yourself because it's this Body that will make any changes in subsequent years. And half of you roughly will be here next year to make sure that your own local interests are protected. We have made some giant strides forward in the area of corrections for this state. I would like to hear from Senator Luedtke or Senator Carpenter or Senator Barnett, men who sat on the Judiciary Committee and have seen this sort of legislation adopted on a statewide basis. And I would suggest to you and I haven't talked to any of them about this bill specifically because I really thought it was going to sail through. I will suggest to you that everyone of them will tell you that this bill is good and is necessary and there is every positive reason to pass it. Now the truth of why Ted Janing has expressed his opinion is that Ted Janing is afraid of losing half of his empire. And if you want...and if you want to protect the empire of a political office holder, fine. I have high respect for Ted Janing as a sheriff of Douglas County. I like him as a person and I have tailored this bill to meet every single objection that he has had the courage and he is a courageous man, that he has had the courage to say to me. Or to send to me through any intermediate person. What he is concerned about is not that there's going to be a riot like Sheriff Kime talks about because the new corrections facility will have staff for that. He's not really concerned about his men though he has scared them with this bill because everybody's job is protected in this bill. He's concerned because a third to a half of the people who now work for the sheriff's office are going to be sprung into a different department, the department of corrections. Now if you send this bill down the drain, you're setting Douglas County's corrections back a good ten years. You're jeopardizing federal funds. You're setting back the desire to professionalize the field of corrections. Now that isn't to protect jobs. The reason for that is to cut the rate of recitivism. So that we don't have revolving doors in jails. I got letters against this bill from inmates, from one inmate of the county jail who wrote me that he's been in the county jail on and off since 1961. And he thinks it's a great place. Now is that the sort of grassroots support that we want to kill this bill? He thinks it's a good place because Sheriff Janing has made some necessary corrections. Those people in the jail now have decent food. The facility that is antiquated that comes out of the 19th century has begun to be remodeled a little bit. All of that is fine. This bill will bring this thing up to date. And I defy anyone on the floor of this Legislature to give any solid reason unless it's politically motivated, unless it's because of fear or loss of empire for the defeat of this bill. And I would...I intend to fight for the preservation of this bill because everybody involved with it is now satisfied with it and those who are against it are afraid to say something publicly. It is a mistake to defeat this bill and I would like to ask Senator Luedtke, Senator Carpenter, others who know something about it and know the course of this bill to give you their thoughts on this bill. And I hope you will begin to believe those of us who have spent some time with the particular bill and will reverse this and get this bill passed in its present form.

PRESIDENT: The Chair would observe that our time is limited and I will permit you to speak in accordance with the rules. That has been observed so far. But I hope you will discipline yourselves and to give you an example of