

can be raised again and it most likely will be raised again on Final Reading, assuming the bill advances, which...which I...which it might. But the portions dealing with the boot camp provisions, I feel, are significant. I feel that it's something that we need to move into. I haven't been dissuaded by the other portions of the bill which call for a multimillion dollar prison construction with programs that have not been established as to their cost. They may, in fact, be in principle something that we may need to do but the proven track record, the reduction in recidivism, as a result of boot camp facilities, is something that I feel is something that we should and need to do. And, for that reason, I would choose to go with the boot camp approach versus the untested and...untested approach that the secure youth facility is as is proposed in this particular bill. So, for those reasons, I will not be voting to advance the bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Any further debate? Senator Lindsay, you are recognized to close on the motion to advance.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. President, members, I would first like to take the time to thank the body for their indulgence and time spent in trying to work this bill and craft it into a bill. I think that it will have some impact in reducing the violence among our youth. I think it's...as it stands now, it's, I believe, a very good bill. We've made some decisions on prioritizing how we're going to...how we're going to treat violent youth. I think we've made some discussion...had some good discussions on how to handle various tough issues, like the guns, that we spent quite a bit of time on. Again, we spent several days on this bill. I think it is in excellent shape now to move onto Final Reading. I would simply ask the body...I would take also a little bit of time, I guess, to just thank Senator Bernard-Stevens for the time he spent in moving this bill along. With that, I would ask that you join me in moving the bill to Final Reading.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you. The question then is the advancement of LB 988 to E & R engrossing. All members in favor say aye. Opposed. It is advanced. Anything...any items for the record, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, I do. Senator McKenzie has amendments to LB 647. Senator Moore would like to remind the members of Appropriations he will meet in Room 1004 upon