

SENATOR PIRSCH: But this could be, and I just learned this from Senator Chambers tonight, it could be that as a condition of their...that they have to have this as a condition of their sentence, even if they were not abusers of drugs, but if they were, indeed, sellers of drugs?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: That happens sometimes, yes.

SENATOR PIRSCH: So this treatment includes not only the abuser but teaches the seller not to sell. I mean, is that the point?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: No, Senator Pirsch, this is substance abuse treatment, but it is required under Section 28-416 of our current law.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay.

SENATOR PEDERSEN: And the Parole Board cannot consider parole unless they've had treatment under that law.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Right. Right.

SENATOR PEDERSEN: This would give them permission for those who the prison wasn't able to furnish treatment for, to waive it as long as they go to treatment immediately upon...

SENATOR PIRSCH: So this would be a small population in our corrections, and this would be a condition of parole that they would have to fulfill?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Yes, they have to agree.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay, thank you very much.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. There are no further amendments, Senator Pedersen, would you...excuse me, there are no further lights. Senator Pedersen waives closing. The question before the body is the adoption of the Peterson amendment to LB 677E. All those in favor vote aye, all those in opposed vote nay. Please record.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on adoption of Senator Pedersen's amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Pedersen amendment is adopted. Senator