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SENATOR HALL: Senator Lindsay, you are recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. President, members, I think we're going to have to look again and go, kind of repeat I guess the...some of the debate we had on 988 last year because we did go through most of this and I think we're going to have to go back to show, I guess get into why we've been going the direction we've been going. This amendment would change the second part of the amendment that was just adopted. It does not change the entire thing. What this goes to is in the second part of that when we're talking about establishing a residential evaluation program. This is a broad-based, a broad-based program that we're dealing with. I mean it doesn't just deal with only this section. There's a lot of different moving parts in it that we looked at last year including community-based evaluations that are based out in the many different communities around the state. What we're dealing with is the secure confinement facility but in addition to that a residential evaluation program. And the concern, there's a concern with making sure that we know what's going where and for what purposes. This is a portion and they ought to be together but I think it's imperative that this portion be sited where indicated. I'm...Senator Bernard-Stevens was a cosponsor of 988 last year and dealt with this area of the statute. 988 was a rather large, it was similar to this bill that we're on now. It was a broad-based or broad-ranging juvenile crime bill and that part of it was part of implem...a portion of an implementation of a plan that had been, I thought, very well thought out in that area. With the...and to explain some of the background on that, I'm going to yield the balance of my time to Senator Bernard-Stevens to talk about that section as far as bringing us back up to speed on the evaluation, the purpose of the evaluation, the purpose of the community-based programming, excuse me, community-based evaluation and everything that leads up to the secure confinement facility and not just...we're not just dealing with a prison because we're dealing with juveniles. We're dealing with how does a juvenile get there and it's not just a sentencing judge says you committed a felony, bing, you're gone. There is an evaluation process that goes along with that and that I think is going to be, to an extent at least, some of the pilot programs that I think we've already started on, are going to be shut down and we're going to start