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force are, and they come from the three Congressional Districts, and they represent all aspects of the juvenile system. As I mentioned, the three senators who serve; Senator Aguilar, Senator Jensen, and myself. Karen Authier, who's the Chair, is Director of Public Policy from Boys Town. Dennis Banks is the Lancaster County Juvenile Detention Center Director. Ed Birkel is the State Probation Administrator. Jone Bosworth is the HHS Deputy Director. Charles Brewster is the Buffalo County Public Defender. Ellen Brokofsky is Sarpy County Chief Probation Officer. Vernon Daniels is Douglas County Juvenile County Attorney. Judge Larry Gendler is the Sarpy County Juvenile Judge. Karen Hadley is the director of the Omaha Community Partnership. Chris Hanus is HHS Protection and Safety Administrator. Anne Hobbs is from Cedars Youth Services, William Laux is a Morrill County Commissioner. The new director of Health and Human Services Protection and Safety Administrator of the Office of Juvenile Services will be joining our group. She's just recently been appointed. Terry Medina is Tribal Probation Officer from Winnebago. Monica Miles is with the Nebraska Crime Commission. Nancy Oates is the Boys and Girls Home Director from North Platte. Judge Linda Porter is a Lancaster County Juvenile Court Judge. Dick Shea is the Sarpy County Juvenile Detention Program Director, Linda Steinman is a Lancaster County Commissioner. Judge Kent Turnbull is a Lincoln County Court Judge. Mary Tynor is with the Sarpy County Juvenile Diversion program. Doug Watson is Chief Probation Officer from North Platte, and Carole Woods Harris is a Douglas County Commissioner. This group of people has been meeting for several months, on a variety of issues dealing with juvenile justice. I think they're the appropriate group to take this issue and come back with a recommendation that the juvenile justice system is comfortable with. This doesn't have to happen today. We can let the system continue as it has been. And we can go forward with a recommendation that people statewide have been involved in developing the plan for. It's...there needs to be a greater deal of review by the body of anything of the magnitude of LB 598. So I'm going to urge that you adopt this amendment and delay the change, this very significant change to an administrative decision only, without court review of that placement plan and treatment plan, or an appeal process, let just an administrative process. Let's take the time to spend