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SENATOR COORDSEN: The amendment, as you are aware, requires each county to establish a pretrial diversion course for persons charged with minor traffic violations, and that has to be agreed to by the county board. And it also would allow any city attorney to establish a pretrial diversion program for minor traffic violations. Now, as I understand the program today, the pretrial diversion program for minor traffic violations, that...that program does exist in some counties and not in other counties?

SENATOR BROMM: That's correct, Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: And this...this is what gives me the problem. Is there...I know that you had an interim study of some length on this. Was there any interest expressed, during that time, to making the application of pretrial diversion available to all Nebraskans, or only to those who happen to be charged in certain counties with minor traffic offenses?

SENATOR BROMM: Senator Coordsen, there...there was some interest in...in wanting to try to make this available in all counties, but there was also opposition to that. And I...I can certainly go into that on my time. But there was interest. That would be accurate.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Well, I...I...I don't really believe that the minor traffic...the pretrial diversion program, as it exists, which...which allows people who have a charge for a minor traffic offense, such as speeding, or stop sign violation, or something of that type, and I believe the program is now once every two years, or something, you can go to it, but it is not available to all Nebraskans. It's only available in those counties that have chosen to set up such a program. And it...it produces, Senator, some...some interesting dichotomies in that, even in a county judicial district, one county may allow the judge to...to sentence...or allow people to enter a pretrial diversion program for traffic offenses, and the same judge in another county might not. Do you think that's the way we should do things in Nebraska?