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the back of the page, there is fourteen items. Now are those the sections that are being excluded?

SENATOR CULLAN: Those fourteen items are a description of the bill itself. Those fourteen items are what is a brief summary of what LB 95 does. It doesn't reflect the committee amendments.

SENATOR COPE: I see. In other words, that is what the bill is as amended?

SENATOR CULLAN: Right.

SENATOR COPE: Now the next question, could you tell me just briefly the difference, say, on sex offenders, and I suppose probably disordered sex offenders to make it more explicit, what is the difference now or would be if the bill was passed in comparison as to how it is handled now after, say, the sentencing review board make their decision and how it is handled?

SENATOR CULLAN: Okay, Senator Cope, we do just two things. This bill changes the current mentally disordered sex offender law in only two situations. It provides for a probationary release, and I believe the term in the bill is two years. The other thing that we do in this bill is provide that the records from that process for the mentally disordered sex offenders will be sent to the county mental health board when that mental health board is considering the case of that mentally disordered sex offender. So we are really just trying to make the two systems mesh by insuring that the county mental health commitment board does indeed have those records but we are not changing the process for mentally disordered sex offenders at all. That was in the jurisdiction of Senator Nichol's Judiciary Committee. We are just trying to insure that when they move into the civil area as far as the Mental Health Commitment Act is concerned that they have those records and can make decisions based upon that previous history.

SENATOR COPE: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Cullan, you may close on the committee amendments. No close, closing is waived. So the question before the House is the adoption of the committee amendments to LB 95. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments, Mr. President.