

Throwing them in jail and piping sunlight to them is not going to solve their problem. And, that is what is being proposed. . .

SENATOR LAMB: Your time is up, Senator.

SENATOR NEWELL: . . .without pretrial diversion. I urge this body to reject this motion.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, it is unfortunate that every county doesn't have pretrial diversion. But then not all counties function in the same fashion under law enforcement either. It is interesting when I read an article very recently put out, and I clipped it from the World Herald, about the states auto fatalities of 1981. It said that they were mostly young and male. It is interesting also that of the 321 fatal accidents 104 occurred in urban areas and 217 in rural areas. Now, all of a sudden people in here, and I get letters from parents as well, thinking that we ought to pass a bill that is so severe that we will just throw everybody in jail, take away their license and we are going to solve the problem. You know and I know that that is not true. I can't hardly wait for the first parent who has a young son or daughter who are picked up and charged under this bill and tossed in jail. Then when they are incarcerated they use some part of their clothing and then hang themselves. And, this happens frequently. This is not some dream. Check it out and they will tell you. I can't believe some of the attorneys in here who are supposed to be for fair and judicious law, who obviously because of the emotion of this nation want to pursue a law which I think is completely unreasonable. Senator Haberman handed out a deal from Washington, why not, they want to get tough because all those people have cabs there or they have someone drive them in chauffeured automobiles. I submit to you that is a fact. I know the people in the western part of the State of Nebraska, they know the county attorney, he is elected, he is a good ole buddy. They know the county sheriff, he is elected, he is a good ole buddy. They know the constable because he is appointed by the city council. So, if you are DWI there most times they are going to take you to your home, say go to bed and sleep it off. But, in some cases that won't happen so there is the inequity of the law. If you get some judge that is tough, not only that but you don't have the money to buy a good attorney you are going to suffer the total consequences. That is going to be a matter of