

SENATOR SMITH: No, I know, but does that replace anything that was removed because of closing that detox unit?

SENATOR WARNER: The purpose of this is one of the concerns that have been expressed numerous times as a place for emergency placing of someone other than in a jail, and we are talking about very short term.

SENATOR SMITH: But that is what we were doing, I think, because that is the kind of concern that Senator Langford had expressed to me and Senator Nelson in Hall County, because of the closing of the detox unit, they can't take those people any longer at Hastings Regional Center?

SENATOR WARNER: If we are talking about people who have an alcohol problem as opposed to...

SENATOR SMITH: Well, drugs, that...

SENATOR WARNER: ...psychiatric problem.

SENATOR SMITH: ...that included...

SENATOR WARNER: This is for psychiatric...

SENATOR SMITH: Only?

SENATOR WARNER: Well, the answer is yes. I assume there may be some cases where it is a mixture of both, but it is meant for...

SPEAKER BARRETT: Time.

SENATOR SMITH: I will put my light on again, thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Wesely, did you have a question on the budget?

SENATOR WESELY: Yeah, Mr. Speaker, members, Senator Smith, I can help answer that a little bit. The EPC question is one that came up in a bill that I passed a year or two ago dealing with nonjailing of the mentally ill when they are brought in, and so we have a deadline...I can't remember the deadline date, but we have to have in place a system where you don't go to jail anymore, you go to a place where when they are mentally ill they