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SENATOR HANNIBAL: Within that category, you mean? No, I don't know that. I don't know that. I know that they have had an overflow of...of inmates right now that are housed in alternative facilities to that right now and there is...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, Senator Hannibal, if there are these alternative facilities that handle them right now, it's clear that there's no need to bring them from where they are housed, because there is room there, to this new facility that is being built. That's what I mean when I say you build it, you fill it. They've got places for these other people but they told the Appropriations Committee and tried to con the Judiciary Committee into believing that they can't wait to get this new facility because these people are so dangerous wherever they are that you've got to have this hole to bring them to quickly or all H will break loose. Apparently, that's what they've convinced the Appropriations Committee. Is that what they have convinced you of?

SENATOR HANNIBAL: Well, I wouldn't put it in those terms, Senator Chambers. The overall project was to have a safe facility, to have one that is accredited with the...with the Jail Standards Board, or whatever the act is, by having increased space to have it more closely located to the existing cafeteria, the existing recreation area, to be able to provide recreation that they do not have right now and to have a better monitoring system so that they don't have to take the inmate population across open space to the regular population because many of these people are there because they have not been able to...to...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR HANNIBAL: ...live within the existing population without causing major problems.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But this...this hole has been there for years and they give those as rationalizations for people who aren't very familiar with how things work out there. And I think you noticed that Mr. Gunter turned quite red and the warden was kind of hesitant in his answers when I was questioning the two of them. So they weren't dealing with somebody who fell off the turnip truck yesterday, to quote Senator Schmit. But the