

adopted, then we would get to the offering by the Appropriations Committee for a comprehensive study. If they came back and said that more buildings are needed and could show a rational basis for it, then it might take some of the wind out of what I'm saying, even though there would be remaining problems with disparate sentencing and some of the things that I have mentioned. But the study that is going to be authorized under the Appropriations Committee's amendment would require them to give the methodology, the basis they have for their conclusions, how they conduct their analysis, and things like that so we wouldn't wind up with just a series of assertions. In addition to that, to kind of give a bit more perspective...

SPEAKER BARRETT: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...the Department of Corrections produced a study dated 1989 and, between 1983, I think, and '88 they had done no studying, no evaluating, nothing. And I think Senator Hall might have mentioned that there was some pressure on the department to do this study. But, at any rate, when they say they need a certain number of beds, they don't say whether...how many for maximum security, medium security, minimum security. None of those things have they considered. So they were responding, I think, to pressure that they felt but it was not the kind of comprehensive study that would be needed to justify the expenditure of millions of dollars. So if I haven't adequately answered your question, then when my turn comes to speak I will give you the opportunity to pursue it further.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, the Judiciary Committee did have an opportunity the other day to hear the Corrections and some of these proposals. I, too, have some questions in my mind and one of the things that I might ask Senator Scofield or Senator Warner, it was quite plainly pointed out to us by building the proposed construction that we're talking about that within two or three years, as we say, you build them, you fill them. Two or three years we would again have to come in with major, major construction, and this was our concern, why do this without a study? And, in fact, I introduced a resolution, I don't know how many of them are on it, to do that. The same way to study the juvenile detention facilities in the same one. Senator Scofield, could you respond? I mean, that's our concern. And then I...we also