

Scofield for all the work that she's done. I'm not going to take a lot of time. All of you could hear and all of you can read. Last year when most of you know I presented my bill that would have allowed for the construction or the utilization of two juvenile detention centers. We still have that very severe problem in some regions in central Nebraska excepting the Kearney Youth Development Center and that's not...they won't take juveniles that come under the juvenile detention prevention program and it could be that there is a possibility that with LB 663 that some of that could be worked out now. I also agree with Senator Lindsay very much in adding the words, "the best interests of the juvenile". Sometimes it's not the best interests of the juvenile to put them back in the family unit. In fact, lots of times it isn't and that has always been one even reservation that I had about the bill, so I think Senator Lindsay has made a good point there and, first of all, it's the kids that we must think of. I am, as some of you also know, working with the alcohol, the drug abuse of the juveniles for treatment for them for a bill that is coming up that I've introduced this session and it's just unbelievable what I am finding on the problems of the juveniles that cannot get help and are really crying for help but there is no affordable help out there, so I do support Senator Lindsay and I also want to support Senator Scofield.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Scofield, on the amendment to the amendment.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Thank you, Mr. President. I simply rise to support this amendment and, thank you, Senator Lindsay, for reading this amendment carefully and catching that. It is a definite improvement in the language and I think we've been so obsessed lately with trying to get the nuts and bolts working right with this that we, frankly, probably would have thought of changing that in view of the changes we offered last time on a bill relating to the Family Policy Act, so that we send a clear message to agencies involved in this that, first and foremost, it is the interest of the child or the juvenile, so your language definitely improves this and I thank you for bringing it.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Lindsay, would you like to close on your amendment? The question is the adoption of the Lindsay amendment to the Scofield amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.