

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Can you answer for me if at sentencing time for the particular situation that you are willing to address in your bill here whether the judge needs to indicate at that time that these provisions are available?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Does he need to indicate it?

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Yeah, does he need to state that at the time of sentencing, this change, similar to if it were penalized, go to the state pen, they'd have to...they have to do it there, I know, but I was wondering if in county situations they have to do it here?

SENATOR LINDSAY: I don't know. I don't recall how that...it was Senator Pirsch's bill a couple of years ago that did that. I don't recall how that was drafted.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Maurstad. Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I have the statute book and it was LB 113 in 1993, just to kind of bring back everybody's memory, and that language now has been changed to a person sentenced to jail, person sentenced to a city or county jail shall have his or her term reduced seven days for each fourteen consecutive days during which he or she has not committed any breach of discipline or the violation of jail regulations. The reductions authorized by this section shall be granted at the end of each fourteen day period, for which period to run consecutively from the date of confinement following sentencing. I believe it is the same concept that we are seeing here today except for here, today we are being asked to give them a one for one in their time served in prison. You just changed the law two years ago to a...or at least a majority of the people in here changed the law two years ago to give them, to grant them this good time, and now we have a proposal to lessen it even more. This isn't what...this isn't what I want. This isn't what I believe the majority of the people in the State of Nebraska want to see done. They don't want to see prison sentences or time in cities or county jails or at any point cut in half again. That's not what I am hearing and you people who were just elected, I am sure that is not what you were hearing during your...during your public debates with