

likewise has no problem with it. So I wanted to let you know what I found out. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. The Chair recognizes Senator Cudaback, followed by Senators Dierks, Chambers and Lynch.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Madam President and members, my name was brought up several times in an area, in this area, and I'm not one to just do certain things for a vote here or a vote here. I think we need to do things overall good for everyone. I don't think the public actually understands. I don't think the public actually understands what is going on here, I'm not sure we understand. That's why some of us may vote, not vote the first round here because we do not actually understand. I was beat up fairly bad on this issue. It was in the paper, about seven or eight different papers in my area, but the people...you ask the average citizen and I don't really think they understand what even good time is, let alone have an opinion on it. I think our judges, as Senator Robinson pointed out, they sentence people accordingly to what they feel the punishment should be and whether they set them for 20 days or 30 days or 40 days or whatever, I think that the person on the jail, the people who try to make the people better, need a tool. The people in the jail, the corrections, they do need a tool to handle these so-called criminals and if you don't pass something out, we all know what we do to a pet when we try to make him, train an animal whether it be an elephant, whether it be a dog, whether a cat, not that I'm relating this criminal to that such, but when you do treat someone kindly and reward him for being kind, that person reacts differently. And I happen to think that when that person comes out, that person will be a much better citizen if he is treated halfway decently. We know what happens if we kick a dog, if we beat a dog, that dog whimpers around, he's not a very good dog. But if we treat this dog with respect like we should, he is a much better animal, he'll react to your command, your very commands. I think this is all we're doing. We're passing out a carrot or a cube of sugar to this person incarcerated and if you react the way you should, you will be let out sooner. It's a tool for the corrections officer to simply make this person react the way you wish him to, and the same way we treat our dogs or our pets or whatever we're talking about. And I think we have to look at this rationally, not simply for our own wishes, but the people in Nebraska or wherever, do not understand this issue. But we as lawmakers