

of Administrative Services from the Building Division, Ken Fougeron and you read his comments and if you look on the fiscal note for Game and Parks and you read their comments, you'll kind of follow along how the committee hearing went as to what the purposes of 530 were. Most of the people who have been on the Government Committee understand that there is a problem with some buildings owned by the state not getting the maintenance that they need and not keeping up on that maintenance and some of the departments aren't using part of their budgets and setting it aside for maintenance and there is a problem getting money for maintenance. I think Senator Lynch has discussed it on a number of occasions in committee and on the floor. So when this bill came up and we read through it, we thought it was an opportunity to, if you read through Mr. Fougeron's fiscal note, it was to be a pilot program phased in and what the expectations were and that they would start with the Lincoln Regional Center and that they would try to start working on some of the buildings that were not receiving any care or any maintenance and so we thought, well, that sounds good, that does need to be done, it wouldn't cost any more money because...and that's in answer to Senator Jensen, that it was discussed in committee. They would use the same personnel, the same budgets, everything for that, it would just be under their care and they would make sure that these things were being done. So this was the discussion that came up in the committee. Game and Parks did, in their fiscal note, they didn't have an individual, as I remember, at the hearing, but they did in their fiscal note mention their concerns that they didn't have information as to how this program was going to be carried out at that time, so they really couldn't write a fiscal note, an accurate fiscal note, but at that time one of their concerns was that it would affect federal funding. And they also went on to say that they had...they may have additional concerns but that they didn't have the bill in its final form or this proposed pilot program. It wasn't flushed out at that time and neither was the plan that was supposed to come out of the Building Division. So they really didn't know how it would affect Game and Parks at that time. So that was more how the discussion went in the Government Committee hearing and then afterwards in Exec Session we discussed this as to knowing that some of these things did have to be done. There were questions about how that would affect everybody. It was explained to me that this would be a pilot program and that this would be, you know, just something that they would start working on some of these areas that the buildings needed working on and so I thought, well, that's fine.