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postponements in Nebraska. For the most part federal prosecutors oppose such delays. "The office is taking it on a case-by-case basis", Michael Wellman, first Assistant U.S. Attorney in Omaha, said Wednesday.

SENATOR HALL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: "Where appropriate we are objecting to the continuances." Then it mentioned how in Des Moines a similar thing is happening. And I have to...that...just one paragraph was left off. I'm running out of time. The disparate impact on black people is recognized, it is so serious that judges are granting continuances. And, Senator Abboud, it's based on the fact that the present guidelines treat black people more harshly and the equalization is going to reduce what is done with reference to crack to the level of powder rather than raising the powder to the level of crack, so that's what my approach is, that it was deemed adequate punishment for this dealing in cocaine to place it where it is for powder and that's what I want to do. There is no indication that anybody who used...who distributes crack does exactly the same with it as is done with powder...

SENATOR HALL: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...should have the stiffer sentence. So I'm opposed to Senator...I meant I should say the committee amendment.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Chambers, your light is the next one.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And, Mr. President, members of the Legislature, because the committee amendment... Oh, wait a minute. What we're dealing with is a part of the committee amendment, so what is being offered can be amended. Mr. Clerk, is that correct?

CLERK: Yes, sir.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. I had gotten turned around and I was thinking that Senator Abboud's position represents an amendment to the committee amendment. But this is a part of it, so I do have an amendment that I'm going to offer and what it will do is reverse what the committee is doing. But before I do