

not agreed to. What this amendment again will do is, under the way...under the bill as it's now stated, that anyone moving in from out state that wants to be a teacher, that wants that safe haven, as Senator McKenzie talked about, would, if they stayed in the state for five years, they would not be fingerprinted. You would not have the background check at all. What my amendment would do is take that five year requirement away, so that person in woodworking at the Penitentiary that you called, and if it would have been six years ago, seven years ago, you would...the school district would get a hit because you would be required to do the fingerprint background check. So this would extend the time period so that you don't have an area where people say, gee, I know I did something, all I have to do is do something for five years because I really want to get back into education, and then do it, for the most part. Senator Bohlke, if you...would you yield to a question, please?

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Bohlke, will you yield?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Bohlke, if I understood you right, and I don't want to put words in your mouth, so that's why I want to ask you the question. The study of the Department of Justice had said that sexual offenders will probably, if they're going to be repeat offenders, will have committed a crime within a five year period. Is that correct?

SENATOR BOHLKE: That was not just sexual offenders, no.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, what offenders were those?

SENATOR BOHLKE: That was general prison population.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, general prison population. So would you agree to an amendment that says since we're assuming that if they do it within five years, they will be a habitual, or they may do it again, and we're thinking more on this legislation of sexual abuse, child abuse type things. Would you be agreeable to an amendment that says, if they're clean for five years that implies that they're not going to do it again, so they would not have to be fingerprinted?

SENATOR BOHLKE: No.