

warehouses and selling them to other criminals. Since he was on parole in the first place, he was captured, caught red-handed perpetrating these burglaries, his parole could have been yanked immediately at a parole revocation hearing the next day and he could have been in prison, but he wasn't sent back to prison because he was working as an undercover operative for a different police department and was out there." As a result of this, two dead Colorado citizens, a shoot-out with the police where police could have been killed because they didn't want to pull a probation because they were going to nail somebody.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time.

SENATOR LINDSAY: They had an operative working and they didn't want to give that up. That's the real effect of what this legislation would allow. I think we have to look very seriously on whether this is good policy.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time.

SENATOR LINDSAY: I think our current policy is good.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator. Senator Pedersen.

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I am going to just tell you why I'm going to vote no on this motion, and each of you make up your own minds. This is a bill I did my homework on. I did some study and I talked to some current law enforcement officers, and I talked to some retired law enforcement officers. And you get them out alone and you are talking about something other than just prosecution, they will say these people are unreliable, and you ask them, how do you...but we check them out, as one of the officers said, to see that we are getting reliable information, and I asked, how do you do that? He said, well, we just have to go with what we have and we watch them. Now I was not encouraged by anybody on the Judiciary Committee to vote the way I did, and I have not been encouraged by anybody on the Judiciary Committee to talk to you today, but there is some other things. If I took a vote in here, or at least in my constituency, of how many people agree with plea bargaining, they would say, we disagree with it. People, this is a form of plea bargaining. When people are waiting to go on parole or to get off of parole or to get off of probation, in most cases, not all cases, but in most cases,