

totally finished, for the most part, with the session. We may, in fact, be on the budget by that time, which is not necessarily unusual, even for a long session. And that's the time that we could decide how to proceed. We may find out that the modular prisons did not work well, that a third one simply won't do it, and instead of putting 1. million in a third one, we'll say, we've got no choice, we've got to put the dollars in for a new prison. And maybe that's what we'll do. But that will be the point at which to make that decision. And I think we're a little premature to make it at this particular point. The other argument that actually I'm going to lead to and I'll give Senator Chambers some time, or actually, Senator Lindsay, would you yield to a questions?

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Lindsay, will you yield?

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I do have a question in regards to who again would be placed in these modulars, what type of prisoner? I mean we always talk about the violent prisoner when we have...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...nonviolent prisoners in there, of course. But violence only...you don't know, sometimes, if people are violent until after it happens. So how do we know what the mix of inmates are going to be?

SENATOR LINDSAY: It's...we're not going to set it up as this is the offense, this is where you get pigeon-holed or whatever. What happens in the...we'll leave that to corrections to determine who is most suitable for which particular institution they have, which is the way they do it now. An inmate will spend time at DEC to determine, when they first come into the system, to determine what is the most appropriate setting. And they make a determination whether minimum, medium, or maximum security is necessary, or what kind of supervision is necessary. And our intent is to leave that within their discretion so that they...they're comfortable making that decision, and so we want to leave it.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, thanks, John. And for the record, and I want Senator Lindsay to know, I walked in this