

one, two, three what they would look at, the specific reasons for the growth, the policy, and the capital construction projects. That is different than what I am talking about, which is also being proposed to be struck, which is a program statement. The program statement gets us on the road toward building. It gets into the details of what is to be in a 480-bed unit in this case. It gets...it doesn't do...it does do site selection, but it gets into the actual intent to build. It is a step beyond simply rounding up the previous studies. It gets into the use of an architect. It is on...it is the first early commitment, so it's different than just the study as to whether we need one. This gets into the specifics of a project.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Oh, okay, then I guess what I am hearing is you are saying that the need has been demonstrated without going back and taking a look at all the variables and, in fact, now begin to address the issue of how a building should be built and all the mechanics that go with it, is that...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR VRTISKA: ...I am to understand? Okay, I...I just wanted to make sure that I'm understanding what you're talking about. Basically, you are talking about hiring architects and planners, the ones that will be putting the building of a prison in place, rather than going back and determining...let me ask you this. You...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Not architects, I will correct that, it is not going to the point of hiring architects.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Okay. So you're...what you're...correct me if I am wrong, what you're saying is the need is already demonstrated, so we don't need to go through that process again. What we need...what we need then now to do is go ahead and plan and move ahead on the construction.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, I am saying we cannot afford, or justify delaying a full year for the program.

SENATOR VRTISKA: That's the point I was trying to get to, Senator Wehrbein. What you are saying is, if we go through this process that is laid out here in this amendment, what you're actually saying, we are going to set it back one more year