

the best way that we could to help solve the juvenile crime problem. It's a lot of money for a 76-bed facility. It shocks your conscience when you stop and think about it. And I am the one that introduced the legislation that Senator Lindsay spoke of asking Judiciary Committee to take another look at the location, and I did that for a couple of reasons. I felt that we had boxed ourselves in unwisely by narrowing the location for this facility to Douglas County and in effect we narrowed it, in all practicality, to a site which is next to an adult facility, which is right next to the airport, which in some parts of the country I think people would be abhorred about putting a facility for juveniles almost in line with the runway of a major airport, not to mention the flood plain and everything else that exists in that area. But the main, my main reason for bringing that legislation was that in the area of juvenile justice we need tremendous flexibility as we try to figure out how to cope with the changing youth. To build a facility that is strictly a secure facility and not have the flexibility, and I don't think we do in that site, to look into other approaches and other programs such as Senator Pedersen is speaking of, I think is another decision which we will live to regret in a very short period of time. Now I am all for meeting the rising juvenile crime problem. And, you have to make decisions and you got to go forward and I understand that. I understand the cost of delay in building which is very, probably very accurate, but, by the same token, I think we are seeing a movement in society to treat the more violent juveniles as adults, whether we like it or dislike it or not, and in some ways I dislike that a lot, but nevertheless that is the way society is moving. If you cross that line too many times as a juvenile, you are going to be handled as an adult. You are going to go to the adult secure facility and we all know we need more room there, and we are talking about making more room available there. So I think the way we treat juveniles perhaps, or deal...the way we deal with them when they get into the system, even if they are somewhat prone to violence, maybe is going to be a bit different as we head down into the future. We are going to be taking those who have a tendency to be violent, but really haven't crossed that ultimate line and I think we are going to be trying to work with them more in programs, some community-based programs, if they can be, if they can be, if they are stable enough but if they are not stable enough we are going to want to work with them in a semi-secure environment, not the lock down type arrangement and I just don't know what to call it. I don't want to call it