

they're out on the street and if they're not out on the street for a period of time and that same...let's say they've committed ten crimes in a year and they're in prison for a year, then the cost of those ten crimes, you don't incur those for the next year...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR WITEK: ..if they come out and commit another crime. If they come out and don't do anything, any criminal behavior, then maybe you can't do that, but there may be...there might be some instances where it's possible to at least have some idea of the costs that you'd be saving.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But, Senator Witek, as you talk yourself, and we deal with specifics, can you see the difficulty...

SENATOR WITEK: I can.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ..of trying to quantify (inaudible)...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ..with figures?

SENATOR WITEK: Sure, I can...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR WITEK: ..see the difficulty, but I'm also saying when you're looking at these figures...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then thank you, 'cause I only got one minute. I'll put it on...

SENATOR WITEK: You can...you can hit your light again. (Laugh)

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ..my light (inaudible). No, thank you, 'cause I only have about 30 seconds now. I took Senator Witek through that because I knew if she had a chance to think about it she would see the error of her ways. I think what Senator Wehrbein is offering is a good amendment and I hope we will support it.