

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. The question before the body is the adoption of the Avery amendment to LB 1189. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record. Oh, excuse me, Senator. Record vote, please.

CLERK: (Record vote read. See page 1709 of the Legislative Journal.) 5 ayes, 20 nays on the amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Avery amendment fails.

CLERK: The next amendment is by Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator, I have a note you want to withdraw AM3838.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The amendment is withdrawn.

CLERK: Next amendment is by Senator Chambers. Senator, I have a note you wish to withdraw Floor Amendment 542 and offer AM4074.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, Mr. Clerk, that's correct.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Is there any objection? Seeing none, it's so ordered. (AM4074 is found on page 1710 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I wish I had, in addition to asking to withdraw that pending amendment, to make a request to substitute the one that I'm substituting and ask unanimous consent that it be adopted and we wouldn't have to go through this discussion, but I want us to be aware of what it is that I'm discussing. The reason I have offered this substitute amendment is mentioned at the bottom of the copy that you got and it's because the one that I'm offering now is geared to the F & R amendments, which have become the bill. You're also getting a copy of an article that appeared over the weekend so that you'll know what this amendment does. Currently, in this bill is enough money to build two Quonset huts at the State Penitentiary. The rationale is that by building them, something is going to be done with reference to overcrowding. My view is that if you build both Quonset huts, you're not going to solve the problem of overcrowding and, furthermore, it will distract our attention from the underlying difficulty. That difficulty is that we fail to look at the causes of the anti-social behavior that the Legislature defines