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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Is that where they have fences and concertina wire on top and armed guards in the towers?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: All the units have them, except the community correction units.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But I want to be clear...I want us to be clear on where we're talking about. What kind of men are sent to the NSP?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: NSP is probably the most maximum security prison we have...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR PEDERSEN: ...out of all the prisons.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So when you build these Quonset huts are you telling me you're going to, as a result of these Quonset huts, start putting men in maximum security settings who should not be sent there? Is that what you're telling me...

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Senator Chambers,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that that's what you favor?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: ...the unit that's already out there, called T-Dorm, is a medium security facility that has been built within the confines of NSP, but it has its separate yard and separate fencing.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: How many people are in this T-Dorm?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: I have that number right here, 150.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, how many...

SENATOR PEDERSEN: There's 222, designed for 150, I'm sorry.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that's how many are in one building.

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Yep.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Our time is going to run out, but I