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argument with; programming, the programming in this particular facility in Omaha, youth confinement facility, people, as I'm not patting myself on the back, that is there because I put it there in amendments that we had when this bill came through. I believe in programming and I believe Corrections right now should be offering every bit of that same programming to the other kids that are in this facility, in their care, and they could separate them in one of these units and do it, but they're only talking...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Time

SENATOR DW. PEDERSEN: ...about in this the few that are there. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Suttle.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I don't know if you all have gotten the kid's count report for 1998 that came out in the last couple of weeks. There are some startling statistics in this. To show you what kind of a crisis we are under, it says in here that statewide 6,718 juveniles are served by probation services during 1997 and it is up for 1999. The...the YRTC's are over capacity. Senator Thompson sent out the latest statistics in a handout. I would encourage you to look at that. In 1997, 112 Nebraska youth under the age of 18 were incarcerated in adult prisons. Of these youth, 29.5 percent are being held for theft; 21.5 percent are being held for burglary; 9.8 percent for drug charges; and the same amount for weapon charges. On June 30th, 1997, 13 youths were on parole after incarceration in adult prisons. A total of 1,209 received parole services under the supervision of Health and Human Services, Office of Juvenile Services and following commitment to the YRTC's. We have a real crisis here. I don't understand why the state refuses to take the responsibility that they should be taking. We should be preventing this in the first place and putting money into prevention as well as taking care of the kids who are already there. We have got to put our priorities, we're all the time talking about money in this body and that's all we ever talk about. What do we do with our money? Where do we put our money? I think that if we don't put our money in our youth,