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us in a fashion where turning on a dime hurts people, and I'm afraid that in this instance turning on a dime and reversing a policy that we adopted last year and is still in statute, and this would not repeal the statute, turning on this dime will leave others in the dust and they will be hurt. They have believed us when we said, rightly or wrongly, that we had adopted a policy and we were going to build a facility to care for a particular kind of inmate. Now some people are unhappy about where that was going to be located. That wasn't our decision. Our decision was that the facility was necessary for the good of the state of Nebraska. That was last year. We need to ask ourselves whether something has now happened to reverse that decision of last year and who we will hurt by reversing that decision this afternoon? The suggestion will come to you that we could do what Senator Brown is now suggesting and then on Select File put the money back for McCook. Probably can't do it today but we could do that on Select File. We could put another \$4.4 million into the budget and fund McCook, but on Select File, are you...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: ...going to be willing to do that? You then, by the time we get to Select File, will have viewed the other considerations that are going into the budget and you might not make the same decision. Can we turn on the same dime twice? I don't think I'm quite prepared to turn on the dime this afternoon.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Brown, on AM1501 to LB 880.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, it will not be the first time in the history of the Legislature that priorities change and that we changed direction. In fact, part of the...part of what got us to the position of being able to reexamine this whole situation is that we reversed a policy that we had in terms of the mandatory minimums that has had an impact on the numbers of inmates that we have, and the backlog that we have. And so at what...I'm not certain that we should be so afraid of reexamining things and looking at...at the situation. I don't believe with the work camp that we got what we bargained for, because what we bargained for was something