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going to have a fancy gun range for the little bit of use that we have for guns. We want them trained. The people in the towers have rifles. The people who escort prisoners outside of the prison, for traffic, carry pistols, and, hopefully, if they're going to carry one we want them to be trained, trained in how to use it. But we're talking about a lot of money for something that could be done for a lot less. Thank you.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. I was wondering, you know, we're talking about this. How long before the...how long is it going to be before the new maximum security prison is going to be operational? Senator Wehrbein, could I ask you a couple questions on that?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I'll try, I don't have a lot of that in front of me, Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, no, there are just a few things that I want to clarify here. If it was going to be a couple years, do you imagine?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I...maybe Senator Vrtiska can remember. I think it's the fall of 2001, in that area.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Okay, so we're talking about at least two years before it's functional. Now if, you know, if that facility was not going to be there, if we would have had to, some reason or other we didn't pass that legislation, what...would the State Patrol be looking for new ranges anyway, or were they going to terminate the one here in Lincoln that you'd talked about?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: This is Corrections, first of all, it's not Patrol.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Well, but...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: But...but I don't...I...I...I can't answer that otherwise. I...I...I don't know the what if.