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justice system?

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: Yes, Senator Chambers, I am. I have seen that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Are you aware that there are children from these lesser categories, and I use that term advisedly, who will be given jail time when children from the upper classes are not given jail time for the same kinds of offenses?

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: I perceive that to be true also.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Are you aware that some of these lesser classes of children are given more time than some of these better-off kids are given when the better-off kids are given some time...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...to serve?

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: Yes, Senator Chambers, I have.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. And, members of the Legislature, I'm not trying to be facetious or waste time, but we need to lay out for the record what is existing in the system right now and I do not want it aggravated. I don't want there to be opportunities that might somewhat be available to these other children taken away, however well-intentioned the overall plan is. But, again, I haven't made up my mind yet because I want to hear the discussion, I want to hear some alternatives Senator Pedersen says he has for those young people. But right now I'm just trying to gather this in.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. (Visitors introduced.) Senator Dwite Pedersen on the Thompson amendment.

SENATOR Dw. PEDERSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature. Those of you who are sitting at your desk, I would like you to pull out these floor plans that I had distributed this morning. I might tell you also about a juvenile facility that I work in, called the Douglas County