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SENATOR SUTTLE: ...I have heard, and when I'm talking about N-FOCUS,...

SENATOR BROWN: Yes.

SENATOR SUTTLE: ...I've heard all of these excuses before about how...I mean you can't ever put your finger on one thing that's wrong. It's always a little bit of this, a little bit of that, and then next week it's something else. Is that what we're experiencing now with CHARTS?

SENATOR BROWN: To a certain extent, there are aspects of it that may be. We...we were...are currently under sanctions from the federal government because of CHARTS because Douglas County was not a part of the...of the plan so that we were all on it together.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR BROWN: But what has happened is that the interface between JUSTICE and CHARTS does not allow CHARTS to be able to do the distribution part of it. They need to do quite a bit of work to be able to get CHARTS, to be able to do the distribution piece of it, so that they can have a single disbursement unit that...that the money comes in and then it...CHARTS determines where the money goes to. That piece is...is not up and will not be up by the deadline. And so the sanctions, they're not new sanctions, but they will continue. It does not affect whether or not we are sanctioned over...whether we have the single disbursement unit. That piece is not going to be affected. But there is good reason to be worried. I began talking last week on Senator Beutler's bill about the clerks of the court...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Time.

SENATOR BROWN: ...about the difficulty in this area.

SENATOR SUTTLE: Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Suttle. Senator Hilgert, on the committee amendments.