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next low was \$190,000. We appropriated \$160,000. This is a modest amount of \$40,000 which is being added. In addition to that, there are some presentence reports that need to be examined to carry out the study. Without those reports the study cannot be done. The subcommittee went to the Chief Justice and he pointed out that there was not authorization in the statute to allow these reports to be utilized by any group for the study purposes, so he felt legislation was needed. Therefore, Senator... I meant Chairman Lacey asked that this bill be introduced and include not only the \$40,000, the extension of the completion date to August and the accessing of these reports by the committee for the sole purpose of carrying out the requirements of the study. That means the details or various facts related to individual cases will be found in those reports, so it is absolutely essential that they have them. There is one other point, and it was brought by the Court Administrator. There are some kind of reports that they need to be able to make accessible to probation people or some such thing as that which I thought they would have the authority to access anyway because of the work that they do, and that's not connected to the study. But the Court Administrator felt that there should be something in the statute that makes it clear that this kind of information is available to the probation people, or whichever division it is. That's what's in the bill. If you have any questions, I am ready to answer them.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend with AM2194. (AM2194, Legislative Journal page 530.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Clerk, could you read that amendment for me?

ASSISTANT CLERK: On page 3, line 18, after the comma insert "the probation administrator or his or her designee,".

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, this is that amendment that the Court