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that are not joined. They're not consistent. There's no continuity. They're driven by two different departments, and them departments are not given the primary statutory focus of community supervision of offenders. So I do think that we have to have a dialogue on our apparatus and administrative infrastructure for community corrections to succeed. My goal here and my mission is for this, this concept, to succeed. What I think we need to have a discussion about is the potential of combining Probation, which is under the Supreme Court, Parole, which is under the Department of Corrections, and perhaps have an agency-level department with the primary mission being the community supervision of offenders. It will give focus to the concept. It will give administrative level authority to probation and parole officers throughout the state. There will not be a convoluted or inconsistent approach to community corrections. So I would hope that as we discuss community corrections that part of that discussion will include the current administrative apparatus that we work under and is that the best starting point for a community corrections undertaking? I know a lot of the bill, from what I understand, was patterned after, I believe it was, North Carolina and their approach to community corrections. Many, many states have Probation and Parole under the same department, the Department of Corrections. I believe it's only four states in the United States have Probation separate from the Parole Department. So I do think that it is important that we have this discussion. The underlying motivation for me is...

SPEAKER BROMM: One minute.

SENATOR SYNOWIECKI: ...for this to succeed. I want it to succeed, and I think it's important that we have the administrative and...apparatus and infrastructure available so that at the starting gate we can see a success in this undertaking. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Synowiecki. Senator Dwite Pedersen. Senator Dwite Pedersen waives. Senator Johnson.

SENATOR JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, one of the most discouraging things to me when I arrived in this Chamber