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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, there have been instances that are even worse than that. There are instances where people have completed it but they didn't score as high a grade as somebody in the Department of Corrections thought, so they were deemed not to have completed the program and they have to do it again.

SPEAKER BROMM: Okay, thank you, Senator Chambers. I don't know for sure if I know what I'm talking about. But I do know this, that I have had a situation or two that have come to my attention from people in my district where the offender was either alcohol or drug...an alcohol or drug problem caused them to wind up there, and they could not get into a program for treatment because they were on a list, a waiting list. And they'd come up for parole eligibility or work release, perhaps, if I remember right, and they would not be eligible because they hadn't completed the treatment. And in one case, the family paid for private treatment to occur in an effort to try to meet this requirement, but that...and I'd have to go back and refresh my memory, but that didn't entirely satisfy the requirement either. So I guess as we wring out this system a little bit, I'm...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SPEAKER BROMM: ...extremely interested in anything that we can do to make those who are willing to participate in programs that should be helpful to them, that they be given that opportunity. And if they're not given that opportunity through no fault of their own, but through our fault for not funding it or the department's fault for not making it available or putting enough money into that particular area, they should not continue to be on our expense and from returning to their jobs and their families. That just doesn't make any sense. And if I'm wrong, I will be happy to retract that, but that's the impression I have and I hope that there is something in this bill that causes that kind of thing to change. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion of the Chambers amendment, AM1156, Senator Dwite Pedersen, followed by Senator Combs and