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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Synowiecki. Senator Brashear, on your amendment, AM1263.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. We are once again, dealing from the standpoint of trying to look at all of the law which governs us here, we're once again dealing with Section 29-2267 of the Nebraska Revised Statutes. And what I would point out, and then I will yield the remainder of my time to Senator Synowiecki, what I would point out is that our only provision now reposes this jurisdiction in the court. And as Douglas County follows its process and procedure, as Senator Synowiecki has described it, that's why they always go back to the court to have the court involved in the process. In fact, that's why we send a copy of what we've done. There is a question in what I think are appropriate legal circles in Nebraska as to how you deal with this language that says the court shall not revoke probation or increase the requirements imposed thereby on a probationer, which essentially a modification of a probation order is. It's a change. And therefore, if it's an adverse change or if the probationer regards it as an adverse change, it's an increase in consequence. And it...where it says, requirement shall not...or increase the requirements imposed thereby on the probationer, except after a hearing. So we are...we are now trying to broaden the statutes to grant to the probation officers some discretion, so that we will not involve the court, and therefore we will not involve this language that says, after a hearing. And admittedly, we are trying to do what in some practical situations has been done, but in other situations has been viewed as legally impossible. That's the reason for the change. We're trying to broaden this out and create the discretion. The question is to how to do it. We could do it, certainly, generally, as Senator Synowiecki indicates. It was the 18-person working group collective decision, and I was trying to bring this group together so that all 18 of the people and their constituencies would support this legislation, that we ought to have some specificity. And that's why I'm trying to be faithful to the work of the working group, having not been persuaded not to be. With that, I would yield the balance of my time to Senator Synowiecki.