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administrative sanctions was not so much probation officers abusing authority as it was for their exposure to liability and so forth. I think your amendment, while it's well intentioned, in the practical thing...in the practical operations of the probation office, it may cause difficulty in them...in instances where the chief probation officer may not be available. I don't know if you'd be agreeable to a further amendment to indicate his or her designee. For example, Senator Beutler, in some districts, the geographical span of the district is enormous. As we have these discussions in Appropriations Committee, enormous. The one that comes to my mind is, District 2 runs all the way from the eastern part of the state to Valentine, Nebraska, and beyond, I believe. So from a practical perspective, I just don't see this working. So because of that, I can't support it. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Synowiecki. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Bromm, I have no objection, if it would make it more practical, Senator, to say, or his or her designee. I don't know if that...is that acceptable to Senator Brashear? Senator Brashear, is it acceptable to you to add, and...or the designee of the chief probation officer?

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Brashear, as you make your way to the microphone.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes, Mr. Speaker. That would be acceptable, Senator Beutler. I have no objection to that.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, if I could approach the Clerk, we would make that change.

SPEAKER BROMM: You may. Senator Beutler, my understanding is...or, Mr. Clerk, we have an amendment to the amendment?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler would move to amend his amendment. (PA1301, Legislative Journal page 1233.)

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Beutler.