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SENATOR STUTHMAN: Yes. We are going to proceed.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: In Douglas County, what program do you have right now, as far as similar to this drug court? Do you have a program like this that is in process?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The county does. And this is one of those where it's like a diversion program, where you do not...you're not taken to court, you don't plead guilty. You're given the opportunity to take the drug court program. And if you succeed, the charges are dropped. You don't have any conviction against your record. Under Senator Aguilar's program, you must plead guilty, which stays on your record even if you complete the drug program. And I'm not aware of a statute that would allow a court to expunge that conviction. And contrary to what he told Senator Schimek, they must...that is a conviction under his court program.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you. I'm sure with this program there are individuals that do not complete the program, fall by the wayside or something. Can you tell me what happens to those individuals when they do not comply with what they're supposed to be doing?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: They would then go back to court. The charges would be filed, and the person would be taken through the criminal justice system, a trial, found innocent or guilty, and if found guilty, sentenced by the judge according to the way the judge feels the sentence should be imposed.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: So in other words then, if they...they have been given a chance, you know, to get off of...get off the drugs, make their life clean, get to a better road, and nothing would be on their record then,...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right. The theme...

SENATOR STUTHMAN: ...if they comply.