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in a particular crime circumstance, that a part of the appearance bond is to have no contact with that particular victim. Another example would be a child sexual assault offense. It's not unusual at all that part of the appearance bond is that they do not loiter in or around schools and playgrounds and that sort of conduct. For younger offenders in adult court, it's not unusual at all to place a condition on a bond that these younger offenders not have any contact with codefendants in a particular case. So it's my experience and my impression that it is not at all unusual to place certain conditions on bonds. Granted, the primary purpose is to ensure appearance. But there are also collateral issues and collateral conditions placed on bonds to ensure certain conduct after the bond is set. And what Section 5 here on page 6 simply does is add another, if you will, condition to a bond, and that would be participation in the individual drug court. So that has been my experience. And I know Senator Chambers, Senator Brashear, spoke to the fact that the main purpose for an appearance bond is, of course, to ensure that they appear. But I don't think it's at all unusual, I don't think it's at all unusual, in fact it's a bit routine, for a court to place certain conditions on an appearance bond. And if anyone would...Senator Chambers or Senator Brashear, if you would like to make any comment. Senator Brashear? I do not see him. With regard to the practice of placing conditions on an appearance bond. It's...again, it's been my experience that that is done rather routinely. Thank you.

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

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members of the body. This discussion has been very interesting to me. And I'm very interested into hearing of...you know, of the programs that are currently in place. And I would like to yield the balance of my time to Senator Chambers, if he can expound a little bit more on the experience with his program. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Chambers, you're...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Stuthman. Thank you,