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effective as we would like it to be. Once again, I'm very much in favor of the proposal. I want us to have the additional amount of time to work with correctional facilities in order to accomplish this. And for that reason, I am urging that we change the date to allow a little more time. Thank you.

SENATOR VRTISKA PRESIDING

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Senator Pederson. Senator Johnson, on the Senator Pederson amendment to the amendment. Senator Johnson waives. The next speaker, Senator Bromm, on the Senator Pederson amendment, Don Pederson amendment.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. If Senator Don Pederson would yield to a question, please.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Glad to.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Senator Don Pederson, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Thank you. Yes.

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Pederson, I just barely heard the tail end of your talk about your amendment. Does this postpone the date of implementation to the second year of the biennium?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: It does.

SPEAKER BROMM: Okay.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: It puts it into... Senator Dwite Pedersen had proposed October 1 of 2003, and the date that I was suggesting is October 1 of 2004. We will still have benefits for the biennium, but we will also have more time within which to effectuate a change such as this.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you. Senator Dwite Pedersen, would you yield to a question?

SENATOR VRTISKA: Senator Dwite Pedersen, will you yield to a