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critical infrastructure problem with our parole system. We only have 17 parole officers in the state of Nebraska, only 8 offices statewide. We're at...we have capacity issue as it relates to our parole system. And although we're moving in the right direction, the critical lack of infrastructure within our parole system is preventing further movement in that area and further paroles, in terms of saving our budget enormous amounts of money. The higher end capacity with regard to custody corrections, you know, \$25,000, \$26,000 a year probation and parole supervision or community has dramatically decreased them expenditures. So I think that is something that we have to examine. Something that was lost in Senator Pedersen's attempts last year was the buildup, if you will, the beef-up of our parole system so that we can have increased capacity within that system. Thank you, Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Synowiecki. Senator Landis, you are the next speaker.

SENATOR LANDIS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I'm going to vote no on this amendment, and I'm just going to give you advance notice. I will be filing an amendment. It will suspend the rules. It will be that lamebrain idea that Senator Bourne was attacking. My guess is that we have a water bill, a mental health agenda. We haven't even talked about a children's agenda. And I wouldn't mind doing a focused discussion of the budget; in fact, we've got it here, but I'd do it on Select File, so I'll just notice that I'm going to file that motion and I'm going to oppose this amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Wehrbein, you are recognized to speak. Senator Wehrbein waives. Senator Bromm, you're recognized to speak.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Madam President. I haven't had enough opportunity yet to speak with Senator Landis and Senator Chambers in detail about their suggestion on these bills, but let me at least say what my thoughts are from the outset. As we have headed down the road for this session, one of the things that I've thought and that I've said many, many times is that something that we have to do in this session, and do it as best