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MIRF money this morning and that was an agreement or an understanding, and I still believe that that was the right way to approach that. But this is a little different. This is a statutory obligation that the state has. This is a bill that obviously Senator Pederson thought was important enough to prioritize, that Senator Cudaback thought was important enough to introduce and spend the time and the effort and the debate time and people thought it was a good idea, it had merit, and it went forward and it's law. I think we should honor that and I think we should fund it. If we do nothing else on the budget, I think this is the one thing that we should do. It's the right thing to do. I'm going to vote yes. I urge you to do the same.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Bourne. Senator Combs, you are next to speak.

SENATOR COMBS: Thank you, Madam President and members. I just want to recap a little bit what's going on in Saline County. I did get a fax transmission that was sent from Sheriff Alan Moore, and we do have a very nice new facility in Saline County that is used for this purpose. I've toured it, been there a couple of times, and it's modern and kind of sort of state-of-the-art, but it's full a lot. So we do take in our share of these prisoners. And we have already covered that the total amount lost has been approximately \$3.3 million, and that's what Senator Stuthman had told us about. And just quickly, what Sheriff Moore has sent tells us that, for instance, the quarter ending March of 2004 they claimed \$4,690; they received 312 bucks. The quarter ending September 2004 or, excuse me, December 2004, they billed for \$4,550; they got \$3,904. And the quarter ended of March 2005, just very recently, they billed for and claimed \$10,780; they got nothing, nada, zip, cero. Forty-five percent of what these people had been owed under statutory obligations have not been given to them. They are taking care of our criminal population. We are obligated to them. And if we're talking about getting tough on meth and locking up these meth cooks and other people that happen to probably maybe be in our counties and may need our housing facilities and room and board on the county level here, it's kind of sad we're ripping them off. And then we're going to give them more people to take care of and rip them off some