

it dealt with state funding. They talked about grants for demonstrations, training and so forth. Title XVIII of the Federal Crime Control Act of 1990 authorized these grants, but as usually happens, no money has been appropriated. We come to the cost again. It was a very popular political fad during the Reagan administration...Bush administration. They passed a bill, but no funds were appropriated. We go to the next paragraph on this handout. The Federal Crime Control Act of 1990 also authorizes the Federal Bureau of Prisons to use shock incarceration programs. As yet, there are no boot camp facilities operating for federal offenders. So it is a good-sounding political idea, but when time comes to lay the money on the line, the money is not forthcoming. I have been reading in the newspaper that there are considerations in this state of cutting out some alcohol and drug treatment programs in the correctional facilities, or in the Correctional Department. If those kind of programs are being cut now, why should we think that there is going to be money to create an entire new system that has not been studied to determine the best way to put it in place, if we are going to do it. I still believe that rather than put something in statute at this point, we should conduct an interim study, and all of those who have expressed an interest should participate, so that we won't have another of those things that sounds good, which we put in statute; it has no clear direction, no specific programming, and, most of all, no money, no money. And I think that would be a cruel hoax to play, not only on the public at large, but on those people and groups who are interested in trying to make corrections more effective in addressing the problems they were set up to deal with. There is a comment...

SENATOR HALL: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...that is also on this handout from Senator Lindsay that I think is interesting. In addition to saying that more evaluation is needed to see whether or not these ideas are cost-effective and programmatically successful, here's a comment we should keep in mind. The NIJ study also indicated that cost savings result primarily from the shorter terms participants serve. So we can do that now. We can stop adding onto the sentences, stop giving mandatory sentences, and we can cut costs. We need to consider what Senator Warner had offered in a bill, I don't know where it is now, but when these bills are offered in the Legislature that will increase the burden on corrections, an A bill should be attached so we know the impact