

Section 23, in line 22 on page 2 going through line 2 on page 4. The next division would be what is labeled Section 24 starting in line 3 on page 4 and going through line 1 on page 5. The next division would be what is labeled Section 25 starting on line 2 on page 5 and going through line 9 on page 6. The next division would be what is labeled Section 26 beginning in line 10 on page 6 going through line 3 on page 7. The last division would include the rest of the bill, unless we would divide also the repealer section, but I don't think that would be necessary. So that would be a total of six divisions.

SENATOR CROSBY: Senator Chambers, would you like to come up and discuss this with us, please. The Chair is dividing...the amendment is divided according to the sections that Senator Chambers outlined and we will proceed in that way section by section. The first section is from Section 1 on page 1 through line 21 on page 2. Is that correct, Senator Chambers? So we will proceed with the discussion on that section. The first speaker is Senator Bernard-Stevens. Oh, I'm sorry, Senator Witek, you may discuss that first then, that section.

CLERK: If you want to.

SENATOR CROSBY: If you want to.

SENATOR WITEK: It's kind of...I'm sorry, Madam Chairman, members of the body, it's difficult to discuss one section of...originally there were three amendments and we, for the sake of trying to just get this subject talked about, we put the three amendments into this bill so if we're just talking about one sentence now, one sentence change, it would just be on page 2, a person convicted of a felony for which a mandatory minimum sentence is prescribed shall not be eligible for probation. So I guess that's all we're talking about and I...we might as well just go ahead with that then.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Witek. Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Madam President, members of the body, I was simply going to...the mood is kind of dire and kind of gloomy to some degree in the body as we see there's a long way to go and I was going to lighten up the mood just a little bit and remind Senator Chambers of a time not too many years ago that we went into a process like this and the body reacted in a