

SENATOR ABOUD: Yes, Mr. President, colleagues. I'm going to add a couple more words here with this issue dealing with the boot camp. Senator Chambers has already been an adamant opponent of the boot camp. Maybe...maybe a lot of the members don't understand this, but Senator Chambers, in years past, when we brought this piece of legislation in by itself, he has been an adamant opponent. He was opposed to this bill even when LB 627 was brought in. And because of discussions that took place about the benefits of this proposal, dealing with corrections, as well as community corrections, he's been willing to accept this as being something that's good for the State of Nebraska. And that's why I'm baffled by what appeared to be the proponents of the bill opposing at least the enactment of this particular portion of the bill. The session goes on next year, and bills can be introduced next year, and amendments can be attached to bills that come forward dealing with the issues that are a part of the original bill, LB 627. These issues don't have to go away. And if there's a majority of this body that are willing to adopt the different sections dealing with drug free school zones, or asset forfeiture, or limitations on post conviction appeals, then those will be eventually enacted. I think we should accept what we have right now and view this as a positive step forward for the State of Nebraska. Currently we have an over prison capacity, we're at 152 percent, boot camps have been successful in other states. It appears that we have a majority of the body willing to accept them at this time, so I think we ought to move forward with the bill. Let's not bracket the bill, let's pass it and move on. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Mr. Clerk, an amendment.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Bromm would move to amend the bracketing motion to insert June 9, 1993.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I hesitated to get any more involved with this, but it occurs to me, when I listen to all sides and both sides, and I appreciate what Senator Withem said also about the number of bills we face and the calendar that lies before us. And if we set aside politics and we set aside where some of us are coming from in terms of the turf that we're trying to protect, I really think that the most responsible thing to do with this bill is to take it over to the