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18 LEGISLATOR DEBRA MULE

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2 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: We will call
3 the Public Safety Committee to order. I will
4 be serving -- as Rose Walker will be
5 substituting for Chairwoman Denise Ford --
6 I'll be serving as chair and I will ask the
7 clerk to please call the roll.

8 MR. PULITZER: Thank you.
9 Legislator Debra Mule.

10 LEGISLATOR MULE: Here.

11 MR. PULITZER: Thank you.
12 Legislator Siela Bynoe.

13 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: Here.

14 MR. PULITZER: Ranking member
15 Delia DeRiggi-Whitton.

16 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
17 Here.

18 MR. PULITZER: Legislator John
19 Ferretti.

20 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Here.

21 MR. PULITZER: Legislator Mazi
22 Pilip.

23 LEGISLATOR PILIP: Here.

24 MR. PULITZER: Vice Chairman
25 Steven Rhoads.

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2 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Present.

3 MR. PULITZER: Chairwoman,

4 substituting as you say, Rose Walker.

5 LEGISLATOR WALKER: Here.

6 MR. PULITZER: Thank you. We

7 have a quorum.

8 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you Mr.

9 Clerk. We have three items on the agenda

10 today. Items 200-22, 201-22 and 203-22. The

11 first is clerk item 200-22 which is an

12 ordinance supplemental to the annual

13 appropriation ordinance in connection with the

14 police department.

15 Can I have a motion? Motion by

16 Legislator Ferretti. Seconded by Legislator

17 Walker. That item is now before us. Do we

18 have someone here from the administration?

19 MR. MURPHY: Deputy Inspector Tom

20 Murphy from the police department.

21 We have two items. The first item

22 is an appropriation of \$50,000 in funds to be

23 received from the New York State Office of

24 Homeland Security. This program is designed

25 to provide the Nassau County Police Department

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2 Marine Bureau extra patrols to enhance border
3 and waterway security in strategic locations,
4 it's comprehensive enforcement of all
5 applicable statutes. Further to enhance law
6 enforcement presence. Is intended to disrupt
7 and deter criminal activity. Utilize the
8 goals to reduce the criminal activity
9 traversing local waterways.

10 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you for
11 the presentation. Do we have any questions by
12 legislators. Do we have any comments by the
13 legislators. Do we have any public comment?
14 We will call for a vote. All those in favor
15 of item 200-22 please signify so by saying
16 aye. Those opposed say nay. That item is
17 agreed to and is passed on to Finance.

18 Next we will call clerk item
19 201-22, which is an ordinance supplemental to
20 the annual appropriation ordinance in
21 connection with the office of the district
22 attorney.

23 May I have a motion on that. I
24 have a motion from Legislator Bynoe. Seconded
25 by Legislator Pilip that item is now before

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2 us. Mr. McDermott.

3 MR. MCDERMOTT: This is
4 supplemental appropriation of \$109,326 for a
5 grant that was awarded to the district
6 attorney's office by the New York State
7 Division of Criminal Justice Services as part
8 of their gun involved violence elimination
9 initiative.

10 In this the grant we focus on four
11 elements. It's the people and the individuals
12 that the police find most responsible for
13 guns. The locations where most violent
14 incidents are occurred. Coordinating crime
15 fighting efforts and strategies among law
16 enforcement and local violence prevention
17 groups and involving key stakeholders and the
18 community at large to build support for
19 efforts to reduce gun violence.

20 If you have any questions.

21 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Do the
22 legislators have any questions? Where there
23 any comments? Any public comment?

24 MS. MEREDAY: Meta J. Mereday.
25 With regard to the four components I'm just

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2 interested in how this is going to be
3 determined and who outlines the stakeholders
4 in the actual areas where this would be taking
5 place? Because in terms of where the actual
6 guns come from and where they seem to populate
7 it's almost like polar opposites. I'm just
8 also concerned how these funds are going to be
9 distributed and what input you'll actually
10 have from the community.

11 MR. MCDERMOTT: Actually, this
12 part of the grant, again, it's awarded a few
13 times a year, this actually is going towards
14 salaries in the district attorney's office to
15 the bureaus that prosecute gun crimes. So
16 that's this particular aspect.

17 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So the
18 overall program involves the communities as
19 you described, however this particular portion
20 of the grant --

21 MR. MCDERMOTT: This particular
22 portion goes to salaries.

23 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: However, this
24 particular portion of the grant is going
25 towards funding the salaries of those district

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2 attorney employees who work in connection with
3 the program?

4 MR. MCDERMOTT: That is correct.

5 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Okay. Ms.
6 Mereday does that satisfy your inquiry?

7 MS. MEREDAY: No. Because it
8 outlines four specific components. I get it
9 as far as how these grants work in terms of
10 they bring in funding for different areas and
11 different utilizations. But it's still a very
12 vital program and it's important and essential
13 in this period of time. And I think, again,
14 this type of thing, this type of scenario and
15 initiative really needs to be I would think
16 more effectively vetted and provide for input
17 from community residents who are impacted by
18 gun violence and the unfortunate nature of
19 more ammunition coming into their communities
20 not by their direct action.

21 So, I understand as it pertains to
22 this, but I still think that there still needs
23 to be a little more information now that this
24 has kind of been brought to the table even in
25 this context so that community members,

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2 community leaders and key stakeholders can
3 have their input or know who they can share
4 their input with so that other aspects of the
5 funding, when it becomes available, they're
6 not told after the fact or it becomes a tragic
7 situation and the community leaders and
8 individuals who are impacted had no awareness
9 or knowledge of this type of information, this
10 type of resource or this type of outlet to be
11 more preventative as opposed to reactive. But
12 I'm done.

13 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Ms. Mereday,
14 I appreciate your comments. And Mr. McDermott
15 I'm assuming before this matter is considered
16 by the full legislature we will have the
17 opportunity to get the information regarding
18 the overall program?

19 MR. MCDERMOTT: That can
20 certainly be done legislator.

21 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Thank you
22 very much. I appreciate it.

23 Do we have any other public
24 comment? Are there any additional questions
25 from legislators? I will call for a vote.

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2 All of those in favor of clerk item 201-22
3 please signify so by saying aye. Those
4 opposed say nay. The item is agreed to and is
5 passed on to Finance.

6 At this point I am going to put the
7 Public Safety Committee in recess because I
8 understand that we are reconvening the full
9 legislature. So I would ask the members of
10 the legislature to please take their seats.

11 We are not quite apparently ready
12 for the full legislature, so we are going to
13 reconvene.

14 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
15 Minority is not ready.

16 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: We are not
17 quite ready apparently to reconvene the full
18 legislature. We still need a few more
19 minutes. Which means that we will be able to
20 move on with the public safety agenda. All of
21 the members are still present and in their
22 seats.

23 So, the next item for our
24 consideration is clerk item 203 of '22, which
25 is an ordinance supplemental to the annual

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2 appropriation ordinance in connection with the
3 probation department.

4 Motion by Legislator Walker.
5 Seconded by Legislator DeRiggi-Whitton. That
6 item is now before us. Who do we have to
7 speak on behalf of the administration?

8 MR. LANSMAN: Good afternoon.
9 Doug Lansman, Nassau probation.

10 Good afternoon Vice Chairman
11 Rhoads, all legislators. The item before you,
12 number 203-22, is a renewal mandatory grant
13 for New York State DCJS. This is a request
14 for a supplemental appropriation approval for
15 a one-year DCJS grant alternatives to
16 incarceration in the amount of \$307,672.

17 The main objective of the grant is
18 to operate programs that divert offenders from
19 costly local incarceration and to provide
20 pretrial release when reporting to the
21 courts. Release of an offender at arraignment
22 provides the most substantial cost savings to
23 the county as the first several days of
24 confinement are typically the most expensive.

25 The priority function of pretrial

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2 service is to determine defendant eligibility
3 for release and to provide any community ties
4 with regard to residence and employment. The
5 information provided to the courts is critical
6 for the courts in determining whether to
7 release the defendant.

8 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I have a
9 couple of questions on this. Just to sort of
10 aid me in my own understanding of what this
11 program actually is. My understanding is this
12 is a state mandated program, correct?

13 MR. LANSMAN: Correct.

14 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: This is
15 something that the county is doing because the
16 state is requiring us to do it?

17 MR. LANSMAN: Yes.

18 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: My
19 understanding is the only individuals that are
20 actually being held on bail at this point are
21 violent felons, correct?

22 MR. LANSMAN: That's my
23 understanding.

24 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So, if the
25 idea of this program that the state is

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2 requiring us to run is releasing individuals
3 who are low risk from incarceration pending
4 their trial and the only ones that are being
5 held in jail pending trial are those who are
6 violent felons who are we releasing?

7 MR. LANSMAN: These, again, are
8 going to be low risk individuals.

9 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: But these are
10 low risk violent felons?

11 MR. LANSMAN: You know what? I
12 can't give you exactly the detail on it
13 because I'm not as familiar with the program
14 as the programatic people in our department.
15 I can get back to you on that.

16 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: It's kind of
17 a big issue, right? Because if the state is
18 indicating that the only people who are bail
19 eligible -- that the only people who are held
20 on bail are violent felons and the program is
21 designed to release low risk violent felons
22 back into our communities I've got a problem
23 with that. Who would be best to actually have
24 that answer?

25 MR. LANSMAN: That would be the

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2 director of probation.

3 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I'm assuming
4 the director of probation is not available at
5 this time?

6 MR. LANSMAN: He's not here right
7 now but we can -- I can certainly contact him
8 to come over.

9 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Because I'm
10 not entirely comfortable -- I'm speaking for
11 myself at this point -- I'm not entirely
12 comfortable considering this item unless we
13 get answers to those questions. I understand
14 it's not the probation department's idea.
15 It's something that's imposed on the probation
16 department from the state. But I need some
17 additional information before I feel
18 comfortable voting on this. I would entertain
19 a motion to table -- go ahead.

20 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Thank you.
21 Good afternoon. So, this item appropriates
22 \$307,672 towards this program. What is the
23 total course of the program?

24 MR. LANSMAN: The total cost of
25 the program is somewhere upwards of around \$2

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2 million.

3 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: So the
4 remainder is paid for out of county funds?

5 MR. LANSMAN: Correct.

6 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: So it's
7 essentially another unfunded mandate,
8 correct?

9 MR. LANSMAN: Correct.

10 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: I also
11 share in the concerns of Legislator Rhoads.

12 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I would make
13 a motion to table. I assume I'm allowed to do
14 that. Seconded by Legislator Ferretti. All
15 those in favor of tabling this item please
16 signify so by saying aye. Those opposed say
17 nay. The item is tabled.

18 You seem to be having some
19 reservation. Procedurally, no. We just took
20 a vote. Are there abstentions?

21 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: On
22 the motion I think I'm more inclined to
23 abstain at this point with the caveat that, as
24 you mentioned, we're mandated to do this. And
25 it's a possibility I suppose that -- I

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2 understand your logic which is with the bail
3 reform the whole idea that it's really only
4 going to be violent criminals that are held.
5 But there's always the possibility that there
6 might be a few candidates that don't fit into
7 that category that could be released under
8 this program and this would save us a
9 substantial amount of money for the county.

10 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I don't know
11 that that possibility really exists. One, by
12 not approving this now it's not as though
13 we're killing the program because the county
14 is funding the program right now. This is
15 supplementing funding that is already existing
16 for the program through the county.

17 Two, the only people that are being
18 held on bail are violent criminals. So, the
19 idea that there would be a nonviolent felon
20 held on bail is a nonexistent possibility
21 unless there's been some sort of judicial
22 error.

23 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
24 Correct. Which could absolutely happen. But
25 I also think if we take the \$307,000 from the

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2 state, I'm sorry, that would free up some of
3 our money, which I welcome at this point.

4 And again, this is in place should
5 they need the funding. For us to say no,
6 we're not going to take the money from the
7 state but we're still going to have the county
8 money there, it might mitigate the amount of
9 county money we have to use if we take the
10 307. Are you doing it based on principle or
11 based on the fact that you don't want to take
12 the \$307,000 from the state for something that
13 the county is going to be responsible for?

14 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I'm doing it
15 based on the fact that before we actually vote
16 on a particular item we should understand the
17 details of the program behind which -- to
18 which that funding is going. I am for myself,
19 again only speaking for me, I am very
20 uncomfortable with this particular program
21 based on my limited understanding of the
22 parameters and until I get a further
23 explanation of the parameters I feel
24 uncomfortable voting on it. Which was the
25 basis for my motion and the basis for the

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2 second by Mr. Ferretti.

3 Did you have a comment Legislator
4 Ferretti?

5 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: In terms of
6 the dollars and cents of it, it sounds like --
7 first of all, let me just say, this is a
8 motion to table. It's not a motion where
9 we're voting no on appropriating this money.
10 But putting that aside, the dollars and cents
11 of it it sounds like and what we're asking
12 really is, will anyone qualify under this
13 program to be released? Because if people are
14 not being held anyway who's being released
15 under this program?

16 Now, in terms of the dollars and
17 cents of it, if the answer to that is nobody
18 or close to nobody then what we really have is
19 a \$2 million mandate by New York State thrust
20 upon us and them giving us \$307,000. That's
21 not a savings to this county. That's our
22 residents paying for more heinous nonsense
23 coming out of Albany. That's why we have
24 these questions and until we get the answers
25 to it, like I said, I support Legislator

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2 Rhoads's motion to at least table this and get
3 these answers.

4 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Can
5 I ask you a question? You would probably know
6 better than us. Are we still using this
7 program?

8 MR. LANSMAN: Yes.

9 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Do
10 you think we're going to use the \$300,000?

11 MR. LANSMAN: Yes. Certainly
12 this money is offsetting and defraying the
13 total cost of operating. It somewhat makes a
14 dent in the program.

15 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
16 think we owe that to our taxpayers that if
17 this is going to mitigate the amount of money
18 that the county has to put in, which it
19 should, even if we don't spend the whole \$2
20 million, we don't have to spend the whole \$2
21 million on this program, it's per case,
22 correct? Might as well take the state money.
23 Maybe that's all we'll have to spend.

24 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: I think
25 that these are questions that we have that

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2 need to be answered. We can talk dollars and
3 cents but if even one criminal is let out of
4 jail when they shouldn't be --

5 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: But
6 that's not what we're voting on.

7 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: I don't
8 know how you can put a price tag on that.

9 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Hold
10 on. That's not what we're voting on. What
11 we're voting on is an appropriation of
12 \$307,000. So we're going to take that money
13 from the state. We do this with many
14 programs. We're not the ones here saying
15 who's going to be let out and who isn't.
16 That's up to the judges and that's up to the
17 DAs. What we're voting for is the financial
18 end of it and I can't see why we would turn
19 our backs on \$307,000 from the state.

20 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: How are we
21 turning our backs legislator? We're simply
22 asking for additional information before we
23 vote. Which is also something that we do on a
24 regular basis. This program is not going to
25 stop as a result of tabling this particular

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2 item. The program is going to continue. What
3 we are also losing sight of is the fact that
4 we're actually in the middle of a vote where
5 we have four votes in favor, we have no one
6 voting in opposition as of yet and the
7 question ultimately is, do you want to oppose
8 it, abstain or go with the majority?

9 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
10 understand what you're saying. But my point
11 is you're saying that we're voting to release
12 people. We're not. We're voting on whether
13 or not we should accept an appropriation from
14 the state. We asked -- I'm so sorry your name
15 again?

16 MR. LANSMAN: Douglas Lansman.

17 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
18 Thank you so much.

19 Whether or not this program is
20 being used and whether or not these expenses
21 are being, you know, utilized and he said
22 yes. So, I think what you're concerned about
23 is not really pertinent to this one.

24 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I think that
25 whether we're releasing violent felons into

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2 our community is pertinent to any discussion
3 that we have on the floor of this legislature.

4 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: I'm sorry,
5 Legislator Rhoads. We're not voting on
6 whether we're going to be able to release
7 anyone who has been incarcerated. That's not
8 what we do. That's not what this body does.
9 I find it incredible that we would be turning
10 up our nose at \$307,000 that would defray
11 costs but we were willing to spend \$667,000 on
12 a system that we knew had kinks in it. That
13 we know have a problem in it. We wouldn't
14 table that item. We wouldn't table that.

15 But now we want to table an item
16 that's going to defray costs. This just reeks
17 of anything other than our responsibilities as
18 legislators. It just doesn't make any sense
19 to me. So, if you're moving forward with your
20 table move forward with it. But let's be
21 clear what you're really voting on in this
22 moment. You're voting on defraying the costs
23 associated with the incarceration of
24 individuals in Nassau County. That's what
25 we're voting on.

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2 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Nope. What I
3 am voting on --

4 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: We're not
5 voting on who gets incarcerated versus others.

6 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Hold on.
7 We're voting on whether to table the item.

8 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: No. The
9 item -- no, that's what you're voting on.
10 That's what your vote is. But the item that
11 was originally before this legislative body
12 was to accept grant funds from the state to
13 defray costs.

14 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: For a
15 program --

16 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: For a state
17 mandated obligation on this county, that we'll
18 later say is unfunded. I mean, so, I don't
19 really understand where you're going with this
20 but I understand why we're doing it. I
21 understand exactly why we're doing it. If you
22 want to vote on your table go ahead and vote
23 on your table. But don't start mixing up the
24 issue for anything then for what it is.

25 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Legislator

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2 Bynoe, I'm not going to permit you to
3 mischaracterize what my table vote is for.

4 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: You're
5 mischaracterizing what the item is.

6 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I am
7 absolutely not.

8 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: The item
9 before us is simply to defray the cost to this
10 county for the purpose of incarcerating
11 individuals who have been arrested. That's
12 what this item is for. That's it.

13 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So if the
14 only individuals that are being held on bail
15 are violent criminals --

16 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: This gentleman
17 just told you that there are still individuals
18 who qualify for this program. There are still
19 individuals who qualify for the program.

20 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Who?

21 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: He just said
22 it. Who are they sir?

23 MR. LANSMAN: These would be very
24 substantive crimes that are committed in
25 Nassau County. I can't give you specific

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2 crimes. I don't know all the details.

3 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: And all I'm
4 asking for before we vote on this I would like
5 to know what those specifics are. I am
6 fascinated by the fact --

7 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: But we voted
8 on spending money in double the sum where we
9 know there were problems. That were
10 documented issues.

11 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Because
12 you're dealing with sole source and the only
13 ones that are able to produce -- we're not
14 going to get into --

15 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: I vote no on
16 the table. I'm done. Let's move on.

17 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: I am not
18 going to get into an argument on an item in a
19 different committee.

20 LEGISLATOR BYNOE: I vote no on
21 the table.

22 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: I
23 vote no.

24 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Legislator
25 Mule.

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2 LEGISLATOR MULE: I'm going to go
3 with my colleagues and vote no.

4 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: By a vote of
5 four to three the item is tabled.

6 There being no further business
7 before the committee I'll entertain a motion
8 to adjourn. Motion by Legislator Ferretti.

9 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: Can
10 I ask this gentleman one question before he
11 leaves. Is there an end date as to the date
12 we can accept this funding?

13 MR. LANSMAN: The grant has been
14 accepted. The grant is given by the state.
15 Now it would be up to the legislature to
16 approve the funding so it can get posted into
17 the accounting system.

18 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: So there is
19 no time limit?

20 MR. LANSMAN: No. It's a
21 one-year grant. It began July 1 of '22 going
22 through June of next year.

23 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: The
24 money is sitting there. So we just have to
25 accept it and then we can use it to offset any

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2 county funds?

3 MR. LANSMAN: Yes. By the way,
4 this grant has been in effect for at least 25
5 years.

6 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON:
7 Yeah. I know. You know, I still do believe,
8 as you said, we're relying on your word which
9 is that it's needed. Let's try to get this --
10 all I can ask the administration or anyone is
11 to just have it brought up for a
12 reconsideration as soon as possible. Possibly
13 when the other chairwoman is there.

14 MR. LANSMAN: Are you able to do
15 that today?

16 LEGISLATOR DERIGGI-WHITTON: It
17 probably has to be the next time. But let's
18 try to do it as soon as possible because I
19 really hate to have this much money sitting
20 there not being used when we could be using
21 that instead of our own taxpayer' hard earned
22 money. Thank you.

23 MR. LANSMAN: Thank you.

24 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: Legislator
25 Ferretti.

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2 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI:

3 Mr. Lansman, I appreciate you bringing up the
4 fact that this program has been in place for
5 an extended period of time. Has anything
6 changed in the last couple of years that
7 changes the eligibility for those who can
8 participate in the program?

9 MR. LANSMAN: Recently was of
10 course bail reform.

11 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Okay. So,
12 it's somewhat disingenuous to bring up the
13 last 25 years when the world, the criminal
14 laws in this state have been turned on their
15 heads a couple of years ago. We have every
16 right to ask these questions.

17 So let me ask you, sir, who is
18 currently -- what crimes are currently
19 eligible for this program?

20 MR. LANSMAN: Again, I would have
21 defer to the administration.

22 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: So you
23 don't know?

24 MR. LANSMAN: I don't know
25 details, no.

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2 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: Could it be
3 none?

4 MR. LANSMAN: I'm not going to
5 say. I don't know.

6 LEGISLATOR FERRETTI: That's why
7 we're asking to table this because that's a
8 pretty damn important question I think and we
9 don't have an answer. It's completely
10 reasonable for us to get an answer before we
11 vote on this.

12 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: The item has
13 been tabled. We have a motion to adjourn by
14 Legislator Ferretti which has been seconded by
15 Legislator Walker. Please note for the record
16 that Legislators Bynoe and DeRiggi-Whitton
17 have left.

18 All those in favor of adjourning
19 please signify so by saying aye. All those
20 opposed say nay. We are adjourned by a vote
21 of five nothing. Legislator Mule I'm assuming
22 is here.

23 LEGISLATOR MULE: I am here.
24 That is a yes vote for adjourning.

25 LEGISLATOR RHOADS: We are

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2 adjourned.

3 (Committee adjourned at 3:25 p.m.)

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4 CERTIFICATION

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8 I, FRANK GRAY, a Notary
9 Public in and for the State of New
10 York, do hereby certify:

11 THAT the foregoing is a true and
12 accurate transcript of my stenographic
13 notes.

14 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have
15 hereunto set my hand this 27th day of
16 July 2022

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