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If  $R$  is a going-down domain and  $T$  is a commutative unital ring extension of  $R$ , then  $R \subseteq T$  satisfies going-down if and only if the associated reduced ring of  $T$  is a torsion-free  $R$ -module. (Received July 18, 2009)