

some have lasted tens of years, to tell you the truth, went to the agency and said, develop how this money is being spent, let's put it in statute so there are statutory provisions so these 9 cash funds, like the other 200, have something in statute which guide an agency on how they spend their money. Also in the bill is a provision which says that...it says you can go ahead and administratively create a cash fund to account for gifts and specific one-time sources of revenue. I guess...but if...if...but in the bill, the way it's drafted now, if such administratively created cash fund exists for more than two years the fund must either be lapsed to the General Fund, or created in statute. And so I mean the only reason, in my opinion at least, you have an administratively created cash fund is that you have unforeseen circumstances and there is no appropriations process to go through. And for temporary cir...reasons, that makes some sense. But I don't think you should have a permanently created cash fund that was created under temporary circumstances, so to speak. And so the bill takes all the ones that have been around longer than two years, places them in the statute and also places in the statute a requirement that if an administratively created cash fund is created, after two years they must make a decision to take whatever money is in there and put it in the General Fund, or to do what we're doing with all these bills, place in statute what those cash funds can and cannot be spent on. And so it changes nothing that is going on in state government, only places in statute specifically what these cash funds have been spent for over the years. As I said, some of them have been around a good, long time. But the actual nine bills, just...I'll read them off for the record, which all becomes LB 1194, create the Secretary of State Administration Cash Fund, create the Foster Care Review Board Cash Fund, create the Department of Aging Cash Fund, establish certain funds within DAS, create the Veterans Home Building Fund, DPI Cash Fund, and the School District Reimbursement Fund, create the Department of Justice Revolving Fund, and the Department of Justice Cash Fund, create the Roads Operations Cash Fund, create the Commission on the Status of Women Cash Fund, and create the Administrative Cash Fund within the Department of Economic Development. All these are funds which have existed for a good number of years under administrative authority; all this bill does is take all nine of those, placing them in statute the way the money and restrictions on what the money can be spent. So it changes nothing other than putting in statute what exactly can occur.