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ask that division? That's what I want to know.

SENATOR JENSEN: Initially?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR JENSEN: Well, you know, when we passed the bill we thought that perhaps...DED is always where affordable housing has been. DED is where housing has always been. Well, this was housing and then it was...however, it had a lot of other things along with it and that...the qualification of who would participate or who would be able to receive these funds, I think that better rely...or better is in the Health and Human Services behavioral health division.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Was DED prohibited from using the benefits of this mental health division, or they just chose not to?

SENATOR JENSEN: They felt that it would be better if the behavioral health division administered this particular...these dollars.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And they felt they could not ask the behavioral health division to do that without specific statutory authority, which apparently is being given in this bill. Is that correct?

SENATOR JENSEN: Well, this will be the statutory authority and I think it does; also, maybe would protect this more so that, yes, it would not be raided in the future.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But here's what I'm trying to get at as to why we need to put this particular language in the statute, not the use of the money, and defining various terms. If DED was given...if this money was put in the Department of Economic Development because that's where affordable housing was located, and if there was to be money for people with behavioral health problems, whatever mental health, whatever that division was that existed, DED would have been able, if they chose to do so, to seek assistance and advice from that mental health division. Couldn't they have done that?