

this or a quarter of a percent will go to the road programs. I think that's a very good idea. And we've had some legislators here on this floor that tried to remove some of our Highway Trust Funds for the support of other programs, and I opposed that very vigorously. But I just feel that we need to keep all the money that we take in on our Highway Trust Funds or with the variable gas tax, we need to use that for the construction and the repairing of our highways. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to withdraw this amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, have you anything for the record?

CLERK: Not at this time, Mr. President, but thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senators Lynch, Crosby, Chizek and Hall would move to amend.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lynch, will you handle it?

SENATOR LYNCH: Thank you, Mr. President and members. This is an amendment found on page 2300 in the Journal, May 11th, night. It has to do with MR funds. Without reading the resolution, what it simply does is places money into the MR budget and earmarks 40 percent of that for children's services which are...which support the Family Support Act. Secondly, money is earmarked for services only and not for administration costs. And, thirdly, it's earmarked...it's earmarking for children's services will be an incentive for some regions to develop more children's programs and residential services, in-home services, and respite care and case management. Just so you understand, we're very grateful that the Appropriations Committee did provide about a half a million dollars this year for the waiting list. This money primarily is, in fact and obviously, for the waiting list and a proportion of that earmarked for children's services, and also for the record there are 537 people now and still on the waiting list. A hundred and 30 of those are 19 years and under that are receiving no services at all and, in fact, in some cases need to be provided with some of the basic services. Also, I'd like to mention also for the record, and I didn't inundate you with all of these sheets and paper but if you would like them I can provide them for you, but of those 537 people who need services, they won't need the very expensive,