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variety of reasons, I think the body made a wise choice last night when we soundly defeated this amendment and I trust that my fellow colleagues will make a wise choice again this morning and defeat it just as soundly again this morning.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Warner, followed by Senators Coordsen and Wesely. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Mr. President and members of the Legislature, Senator Moore has indicated that there will be more than a technical problem if you adopt this amendment inasmuch as the amendment that was offered last night on LB 813 was not adopted. The amendment...the bill itself created a fund in that DED would be able to have access to...for job training. This strikes the fund and keeps the...keeps it in DED and would establish the fund in the Department of Labor for the purpose. But the problem rests is that the appropriation is contained in DED's department. So if we do not...if you adopt this amendment, you will have no appropriation to expend the money, being an appropriation for DED for money that's not there, the money will be in Labor and cannot be spent. So I would suggest you do not adopt the amendment at this point because there will be no funds available without a change in 813 and I don't know if that's possible to do.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Coordsen, followed by Senator Wesely and Senator Chizek.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. I would have a question of Senator Chizek.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Chizek, would you respond?

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Chizek, as I understand it, in the past few years that the Department of Labor has been conducting all of the job training programs or most of the job training programs that have been in place in the state.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Most of them...most of them, Senator Coordsen, plus, as I mentioned, there are others involved in training but job training, as we know it, most of the monies have come through the Department of Labor.

SENATOR COORDSEN: And to accomplish that they have developed a process for acquiring federal grants to leverage the funds and