

really into a Department of Economic Development philosophy that says recruitment is their role and this ties into that role and I understand why they want the money. But Economic Development is much more than that and job training is much more than that. It's more than just using a pot of money to bring somebody in and you give them the money and supposedly, hopefully, they use it for job training that they need. But there are horror stories out there of utilization of job training funds to bring in businesses and then they just turn around and fire employees and rehire them and just use the money in a fashion that isn't necessarily what we want to see happen. And so I hope we won't revisit that sort of a problem with this redistribution of funds over to the Department of Economic Development. The Department of Labor is where we have had this activity. There was cooperation, as Senator Chizek talked about, for a while with an employee in both departments trying to work out these arrangements. And so I'm just worried about where the money is going to go, how it's going to be used. I have very little faith in the Department of Economic Development and what they would use it for. And so I think Senator Chizek makes an excellent point and if we can't spend the money right, let's not spend it at all and we can come back and look at this issue again next year.

SENATOR LAMB: The Chair recognizes Senator Chizek, followed by Senator Moore and Senator Langford.

SENATOR CHIZEK: A couple questions of Senator Moore, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Moore, would you respond?

SENATOR MOORE: I would love to.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Senator Moore, before I ask you a question, well, I guess maybe I would put it this way. Does that one-eyed steer you referred to taste any different than the one...

SENATOR MOORE: No, well, for hamburger it sure doesn't.

SENATOR CHIZEK: Yeah. Did you refer to Economic Development as an advocacy agency?

SENATOR MOORE: Uh, that's the right term in words but more so than the Department...the Department of Labor is a regulatory agency.