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SENATOR ELMER: Would you feel that we could do it for this kind of money?

SENATOR WESELY: I think we should, at this point, go with that figure, but I think we could spend between now and Select File examining exactly what we could get for that money. I don't know the answer to that but I...

SENATOR ELMER: Perhaps Senator Haberman can respond to these questions in his closing. Thank you, Senator Wesely.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, and members, I rise to oppose Senator Wesely's amendment, because if you adopt Senator Wesely's amendment, really what you do is you totally negate what Senator Haberman is trying to do. The \$50,000 is in no way going to do any kind of an in depth study that from the discussion here today needs to be done. It would probably do nothing more than send around a few papers to some people, conduct a survey at best, and you would actually get what you paid for. You would get \$50,000 worth of work covering the system in Nebraska that is very diverse, very different from region to region, and you would get absolutely nothing. You would be throwing \$50,000 away. Yesterday, to this bill, we adopted an amendment for \$80,000 just to collect more sales tax on the sale of farm machinery. We thought that \$80,000 was an appropriate figure at that time for an amount of money that there is really no guarantee by anyone what it will bring in. And I think the argument at that time was that the \$80,000 would return probably fourfold what it would be spent on. Now that is yet to be seen and we will see how that happens, but if it is going to cost \$80,000 to contract for this one very small area where you can limit the number of people that you are going to be talking to, basically, those implement dealers, but here in this area when you are dealing with social service people, and you are talking about the number of clients that they have to deal with, you are going to appropriate, with the Wesely amendment, \$50,000 to deal with an entire system, you, basically, might as well, if you adopt Senator Wesely's amendment, vote no on Senator Haberman's amendment because you aren't doing anything. You are just throwing \$50,000 out the window, and again you are saying, well, we did something to help