

give that information?

PRESIDENT: Senator Bernard-Stevens, you're starting on your next five minutes now.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, thank you.

SENATOR WESELY: Well, we've tried to do that. If you recall, we tried to allow the information they got, the reports and information they got, accessible to the Legislature, and the way we had to work it out was to have a half legislative, half Revenue Department employee go in and look at it. There is some restrictions on access to that information. So the previous two bills I've had had that provision in it, for us to look at exactly what they got and then for us to draw out of it the information we needed. But the difficulty in doing that, the complexity of it was such that we thought this was a much simpler way to actually get the information and, frankly, the Revenue Department has written to me and indicated with the committee amendments, they support it and the chambers are now in support and so I feel like we've reached a pretty good compromise.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, then also, Senator Wesely, if I can continue to ask, when the information is provided to us, who will then be responsible for evaluating that information?

SENATOR WESELY: There is no evaluation required under the bill. It would come to us just as this report, only it would be a slightly more extensive report because it would have the additional information we're requesting. But there is no evaluation done of it under this bill. I mean...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: So, again, I'm just trying to piece this together as far as, and I apologize for trying to do this on the floor, but I guess since it is offered as an amendment on the floor, this is the area that we must try to do it. What we're doing is that we're going to ask the Department of Revenue to send us an expanded booklet, and I assume each member would get one.

SENATOR WESELY: Right.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: And then what we'll do then is each member, as we all read those booklets we get from the agencies