

individuals that are able to work. The individuals that currently have children are most likely receiving Aid to Dependent Children. So this is a program that's aimed specifically, for the most part, for those people that are down on their luck. And the idea of this particular bill is to provide the final step in legislation that we passed in previous years dealing with general assistance.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Senator Bernard-Stevens. I'm sorry, Senator. We do have an amendment on the desk.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Wesely would move to amend. And the amendment may be found on page 1570 of the Journal.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Did he say, maybe is found on page 1570?

CLERK: Pardon me.

SENATOR WESELY: Did you say, maybe or...

CLERK: May be found.

SENATOR WESELY: Oh, okay.

CLERK: I think.

SENATOR WESELY: All right. Thank you. Madam President, members of the Legislature, the amendment before you, which may be found on page 1570 of the Journal, should...should add a section to the bill which clarifies what we talk about when we talk about job training program. Yes, indeed, there it is, page 1570. One of the concerns about this legislation, in the past, and one of the reasons I, and others in this Legislature have opposed this concept was the potential for abuse that had occurred, in fact, in some counties, primarily Douglas County, in the past, where individuals that had fallen through the cracks, were completely down on their luck, and that's the sort of individual that qualifies for general assistance in this state, is then put to work doing menial tasks that are demeaning, and discouraging, and they lose all hope. An individual whose got enough problems on their own is pushed further down even than they already are. But I must say that