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obviously LB 701 in its embryonic state created a much larger program but as amended it only creates two pilot programs.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Yes.

SENATOR MOORE: Let's say these two pilot programs work as you hope they do and prove that they are wise things for the state to do, let's say next year armed with that ammunition, what then would you do? You'd probably introduce a bill, you would have to introduce a bill again, correct?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: I would have to come back and introduce a new bill. There is nothing in this bill that obligates us to do anything beyond these demonstration projects. I could have come in with a phase-in approach, but I chose not to.

SENATOR MOORE: Those demonstration projects, are those...continue for a period of time? Is there a sunset on how long they last?

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: I'm not sure we put a sunset in there, but the intent is for one year.

SENATOR MOORE: For one year.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: One year.

SENATOR MOORE: Those pilot programs for one year, evaluate them, and then obviously assuming they work, you would come in next year and introduce a bill that would probably have a much larger impact and you'd use this information to prove why it is worthwhile obviously.

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Yes.

SENATOR MOORE: But I guess the next question is, what...do you have an estimate as to what sort of...I know Senator Peterson asked you this and the fiscal note this year was a million dollars...

SENATOR RASMUSSEN: Mmm, hmm.

SENATOR MOORE: Do you have an idea what sort of money you may be asking for next year to do it...probably bigger than a bread box and smaller than an elephant, I mean, that depends on what