

put in new General and additional General Fund money and let's use it to maximize and match that federal money under voc rehab which is about a three to one match. For every dollar we utilize, \$3.00 of federal money comes in and that's over \$2 million additional dollars on the table to help serve our developmentally disabled and mentally ill to gain vocational skills, to help them to achieve their potential and I think, again, have some relief on the budget in other areas that we have. I mean, we need to serve these people, we have inadequate services now. We have some services and some funding in place. Let's use our heads and maximize the match and put it to use for the good of our developmentally disabled. The intent language is clearer than the last. This is what we want to see happen. I guess the message didn't get received by the Department of Education last year, but we're going to send it again and I'd ask for your support for this amendment. I'd be happy to answer questions. The bottom line is, no new additional General Fund money, utilizing existing funding we have in place to match vocational rehab money that the federal government has available, and if we maximize that, we could bring in an additional \$2 million of federal funds with no additional General Fund money. I think it makes sense. I'd like to see us try and accomplish that goal. I'd ask you for your support for the amendment.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Senator Moore, followed by Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR MOORE: Madam President, members, Senator Wesely, have you passed this amendment out or could you pass it out? I have read it. Some of the members of the body came and asked me what it says. I don't think it was printed up. Are you in the process of passing it out?

SENATOR WESELY: I don't have copies, but I can get copies run I guess.

SENATOR MOORE: Why don't you read into the record what that language is.

SENATOR WESELY: Okay. It is the intent of the Legislature that all federal vocational rehabilitation funds available to the state in the fiscal year 1992-93 shall be maximized through the use of interagency agreements to provide vocational rehabilitation services to persons with mental illness and