

problem. So, I rise in support of the Moore amendment to the Conway amendment.

**SPEAKER BAACK:** Thank you, Senator Conway. Senator Schmit, did you wish to address the amendment to the amendment?

**SENATOR SCHMIT:** Only to this extent, Mr. President, and that is that it's obvious from the difficulty that Senator Moore had to try to abolish this teensy weensy little agency, which really doesn't have much to do, and doesn't cost very much, doesn't do anything, doesn't help anyone, doesn't hurt anyone, meets all the criteria of a government agency, that it's pretty hard to cut down the size of government. If you can't even wipe it out, it looks to me as if the cost of government is going to continue to escalate. I wish that Senator Pirsch was here. Yesterday she had to struggle mightily to get a little money for the Crime Victims Reparation Board. And I would just contrast the two and suggest that her amendment was much more worthwhile. But I recognize reality and it looks like we're not going to be able to terminate this small but powerful and mighty and influential agency. I would certainly still like to see it done. Thank you.

**SPEAKER BAACK:** Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Wesely.

**SENATOR WESELY:** Thank you. I understand what Senator Moore is talking about, but again I reemphasize that over \$100,000 was reappropriated from this agency about 8 years ago, 1984, and in a sense they're coming back, saying, you took that money away from us, over \$100,000, we'd like some of it back when we're in a little hard time now. The state was in a hard time back then, and certainly we aren't doing so great now, but that agency has fallen on some hard times and they need...they've only had an appropriation of 7,000 last year, and 28,000 is appropriated for this year. So, it's not like they've been in the till for a long time. And I don't think they have any intention in the future to be in the till. But I don't think it's, at least in my part, my intent that in the future if they need some General Fund appropriation to tide them by, I think since we took so much from them, I don't see that it's the worst thing in the world to try and help them out over a hard time. Keep in mind also we do have legislation from Senator Warner, the 15 percent that is taken from Cash Funds and sent into the General Fund, that would help a great deal. And so I hope we will be able to pass legislation to stop taking from these cash funded agencies