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hearings and then they will make these decisions. Now, right now, the Department of Social Service, they can make these cuts right now if they wanted to. They have that authority, but they have agreed to wait until after these hearings, and then if there's something next session that the Legislature does not agree with, if there's some part that they say, well, you were excessive in this area or this area, we can come back and change that. But, right now, we're not changing anything. Everything stays status quo like it is right now, even number one. Mary Dean Harvey has agreed to leave that as is right now. She said, we'll take a look at it, that will stay in there. Although the budget, according to this amendment, that is not in there. We didn't put in the 160,000. What we did, we put in...we put back in 989,000 some odd dollars for the present time. Now if the department wants to cut out number one, I guess she could do that. She has agreed to wait till after the hearings and see what happens. But maybe there should be an amendment to put that back in also, but we did not do that. I think Senator Wesely is thinking maybe we should do that, so I don't know what he's going to do but, right now, 2 through 6 are what the amendment is that I propose. So we're not changing anything. We're not saying that they shouldn't be cut because I think eventually they are going to take a cut and they're willing to take this cut but they said, let us have our day in court, then we will take the cut. So that's where we're at. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schellpeper. Senator Ashford.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Thank you. I'm trying...this sort of amendment gives me sort of a headache because I don't understand what it is that...I think it's setting somewhat of a bad precedent to take this cut out, but maybe it's because I don't...Senator Schellpeper, would you answer a question for me?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Sure, be willing to.

SENATOR ASHFORD: What you're suggesting is that the...we've taken a cut of 989...989...or the Governor has proposed a cut of \$989,000.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Right.

SENATOR ASHFORD: The Appropriations Committee agreed with him and put that cut in there and that cut was based upon services