

able to be accredited.

SENATOR WITEK: Okay, and one more...

SENATOR BROWN: But nothing will change in terms of staff assistance from the Department of Social Services, that's not...they're just changing a word there about whether it will be secretarial support or administrative support.

SENATOR WITEK: But we are also adding the Department of Education into this, and we are also...

SENATOR BROWN: Right.

SENATOR WITEK: ...submitting to the commissioner of education for block grants, correct?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Wehrbein, your light is next.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, Madam President, members of the body. I'd like to ask, I guess, Senator Wesely would be appropriate. I was looking at the fiscal note, Senator Wesely, and I...it does add a half a spot and half a...one half-time person in the Department of Education, and a full-time secretary. The fiscal note I have says 68 the first year, and 53 the second year. And I understand...have you reduced that?

SENATOR WESELY: Yeah.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Is that an updated that I don't have?

SENATOR WESELY: Yeah, yeah, yeah, I'm sorry, Senator Wehrbein. And this...the fiscal office just has revised that downward to 40,000 and 31,000. So...and I apologize to Senator Witek, because I didn't realize I'd been looking at this figure, not the one that's in the book.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay. Okay. Well, this...is this...do you know if it's a new hire, or will this be...will this be someone that's doing...it's kind of interesting, half-time, it says consultant, and I'm not going to nitpick on this. But it...my concern would be, you know, could this be absorbed if it was truly going to add another half-time rather than simply maybe absorbing within the agency. I don't...I don't quite grasp how