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very likely go away. I'm not sure that there needs to be a General Fund appropriation in this area, but I also don't disagree with your comment regarding future gambling revenues and how a portion of these ought to be designated for this fund. I would, on the most part, I think probably support that. But I just wanted to make it clear for the record that this is basically a cash funded entity, and the intent is for it to stay that way into the future.

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Yes, it is.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you very much.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Hall. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature. I rise in support of the committee amendments and also in support of the bill. This is an issue that I talked with Senator Pedersen about last year and we ran out of time to address the issue last year. Clearly, an attempt to stop duplication in this area is in order, and the Department of Public Institutions is in fact the appropriate place for this to be located. And I commend Senator Pedersen for moving forward on the issue, I think it's great.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Schellpeper close? No closing, closing has been waived. Question is the adoption of the committee amendments. All in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of committee amendments.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Committee amendments are adopted. Senator Pedersen, would you care to open on your bill?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: I'll waive on the opening, thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Pedersen waives on the opening. Anything further on the bill?

CLERK: Nothing further, Mr. President.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Any further discussion? Senator Pedersen, your