

SENATOR BOHLKE: Madam President, members, we're back to what we were talking about before with Senator Crosby's amendment which really delays the program. What's going to happen is that we need to begin training of the Social Services workers, the case workers, this July. We will begin and have the program probably up and running in October. Delaying it would be devastating to the bill. So I strongly, strongly object to that date being in place and hope that we vote that down. The other part, as far as kind of the statement of the evaluation or study, as I've said, it is now ten-twenty, we could move to cloture at this point on the bill. I don't plan to but so far we haven't discussed the bill except for Senator Beutler interjecting the discussion of two of the waivers. If we continue to do this, we won't get to the bill and, as I've said, this is one of those things that the evaluation is already there. It's already required. If we want to do another study committee, that's...that's fine but the date that's in Senator Crosby's bill (sic) right now would be very, very damaging and I urge your defeat of the Crosby amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: And Senator Wesely could have the remainder of my time.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. As Senator Abboud was talking to Senator Bohlke, I looked up the fiscal figures and I think that might be valuable for us. And I think, Senator Beutler, I think Senator Withem talked about this as well. The first couple years under welfare reform you're going to spend more money because you're going to continue to provide cash assistance but you're now going to provide more child care, more health care and job training to try and move them off into the work force. Starting the third year, so the next two years we have now estimated about a million and a half more and then two and a half million more the second year, but then we start to save money ultimately in the total spent; the third year we're saving 162,000 under the current estimates, and then that starts to build. Actually, it will take four years because then you've now completely moved them off of the cash assistance and the health care and the child care. And so it's in four years, after that period of time, that you will...you should see some