

major mistake, I didn't want to imply that, but let's just say it's a mistake and we find out that it isn't working as well, and the money is badly misspent or something. I think it's worth trying. We were trying several other maybe innovative things that you might say on the welfare reform issue, this may be an appropriate one to try. And if it is, say, the 4,000 families, between two different spots in Douglas and Sarpy County, two different areas, I should say, it may well, in my mind, be worth a try because I've been involved in some things. You remember several years ago...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...put some money in the Council of Economic Education, which is an effort to integrate money management, if you will, simply stated through our high school...grade schools and high schools, some way to have people, young people in this case, understand money management. And perhaps this would be a way to arrive at that, perhaps that's naive, but it may be a way to treat them more adult-like, if you will, rather than having the coupons or the food stamps. I guess I'm leaning to making...maybe it is well worth this risk, however small or great it be, to try this. It has been tried in other areas of the country, as mentioned, perhaps more than I even know about. So at this point I'm inclined to oppose Senator Janssen's amendment, even though I can agree with some of what he said, I am, at this point, that I will probably try this approach and leave it in the bill at this point.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I got a couple of questions I'd like to ask Senator Bohlke, if she'd yield.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Yes.

SENATOR JENSEN: First of all, what happens to the person that receives a check, cash, and three days later the money is gone and also the food is gone?

SENATOR BOHLKE: Senator Jensen, the same thing that would happen today if they cashed out their food stamps, not through