

to the Department of Education. It's my understanding Senator Robinson can confirm this. The Department of Education says they need no additional FTE's to do this, is that correct?

SENATOR ROBINSON: (Inaudible.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Robinson.

SENATOR ROBINSON: ...Governor's Office and also to the...to Dr. Christiansen, at the Department of Education.

SPEAKER WITHEM: So we'll have no FTEs (inaudible)...

SENATOR ROBINSON: No, no FTEs if it's moved to the Department of Education.

SPEAKER WITHEM: ...and if we shift this, we'll be able to actually decrease FTEs in the Department of Energy.

SENATOR ROBINSON: That's right, because there will be no FTEs at the Department of Education, that's correct.

SPEAKER WITHEM: So we're actually going to be able to save administrative costs. We're going to be able to move this fund that maybe has outlived its usefulness to fund something that is new and different. It's what we all say we want to do when we talk about being fiscal conservatives. We want to be able to phase out areas of government that aren't necessary anymore and use those funds to fund new agencies of...and new functions of government. So I think what Senator Robinson has here in the amendment, and I'm pleased to say that I was able to work on it, is good because it pushes the Internet system which is a goal that the Legislature has been pushing for a number of years, number one. Number two, this amendment allows some use of the lottery funds but does not give them the priority that the original bill would have done, which was one of my concerns. But in addition to that, it does what we all claim we want to do when we go back home,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SPEAKER WITHEM: ...it actually diverts funds from where they aren't needed to where they are, and that's going to be the toughest part of it, I know, because I know that there have been some frantic phone calls being made by the people in the