

this amendment for a great period of time, but I had some questions, especially when it mentions about the transferring of employees from this agency to a board. I think that is a separate type of question for a policy decision to be made, but in terms of the number of employees that would be transferred and how those employees would be procured can be settled without changing the language in the bill as it exists now. I am going to put my light on again because I may not have explained clearly everything that I'm trying to or there may be some questions, which if people want to put to me, they can when they turn their light on.

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

SENATOR AVERY: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Schimek, I am willing to work out, if you have some suggestions, as I have told DSS, bring forth some...asked them to bring forth some proposals if it potentially can improve the language of the bill they've had. We've made considerable efforts in those...in changes in the language, and I think, as we all know, that you can always improve on things. The real intent here was and is to make sure there is not, we are shooting for where there is not a gain in state employees, and that attempt, this is an attempt to do that, for those people to work together. The language in there, there is always going to be a transition period. I wanted to put it in there where they must meet on a regular basis. The thing is, though, that they, in terms of DSS is doing additional reviews, internal reviews. In their proposal, in the study. I believe they stated that they were looking at doing away with their PPR reviewers, which do the internal reviews. There is eleven reviewers there that they even brought forth and said they wanted to eliminate what they were doing, or eliminate the process. So in that, this attempts to address that, but I am willing to work between now and Select File, if you have some potential changes, to improve it. I would offer the rest of my time to Senator Landis.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Madam President, members of the Legislature. I intend to support 642. I intend to support each of the divided elements of this amendment, but I understood, I think, Senator Avery to say he is willing to accept the Schimek amendment, but I want to make sure I've got that correct. Is