

SENATOR LANDIS: Sure. Let me tell you how...you asked the question, how it will play out, here's my best guess. What you've got is you've got ten people doing a function,...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...the function switches. The ten people now doing the function get the first chance to continue doing the function. The bill not only says that the function transfers, but that the function ends in DSS. So we have ten DSS positions doing a function that will end. Now, DSS will be faced with this position, they'll have employees on the rolls for a function that has been transferred away from them in two steps. In the event the employees follow, there is no dislocation. In the event the employees don't follow the function, DSS has this question, I now have an employee for whom I do not have the authority or the position to do what they were doing. They would be either moved into other parts of the agency, or, if they have employees greater than what they are authorized by their appropriations to do, those lines come to an end, that's true.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I was quite sure (inaudible)...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time, Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...accurate response. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Wesely, followed by Senators Pirsch, Hillman, Bohlke, Chambers, Beutler, Dierks, Hall, Landis, Avery, Bernard-Stevens and Schimek.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members. I apologize for some of the situation with the bill and the fact that it's maybe not had some of the issues resolved as best they could be. But this basically was run through the committee without having the benefit of some of the negotiation that we normally would try and do. And I have objected to that, and so I object to the bill, because in my view this isn't an issue of are you for or against the Foster Care Review Board, this isn't an issue of whether or not you're for or against children that are in our custody being reviewed. The issue is how do we resolve some very ingrained conflict between two agencies that are to serve children that is blocking the ability for them to work together,