

SENATOR WITEK: ...and you're throwing it down black holes of bureaucracy that they can't even...we don't even have employees according to the Lieutenant Governor herself on the radio, we don't even have employees capable of wading through these mass bureaucracies that we've created who can go ahead and find where these tax dollars are. To me, then get rid of them. If we don't have employees that can do that and we have to go out and hire new employees, have we experienced the balance that all this money that we paid to Maximus or are going to pay to Maximus, then let's get rid of the people who we hired in our state government to do that. Let's get rid of the lobbyists, let's get rid of the people in DSS. If they're not doing their job, if they're not capable of doing their job of going after and explaining some of these rules and regulations, then let's get rid of them and let's hire the Maximus people as state employees instead of going out and hiring them for \$6 million. That's...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR WITEK: ...what we need to do.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Witek. Senator Vrtiska.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body, I'd like to...I see Senator Beutler isn't here. Senator Beutler, I guess I just had a couple of questions. I don't want to...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR VRTISKA: ...I don't want to argue the point that Senator Wesely made about whether the Legislature should be involved or shouldn't have been involved. It's probably correct that they should have been involved but one of the questions I have to ask you based on what you presented here, do you think these people who are hired with Maximus are experts in their field?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, I wouldn't pretend to be an expert as to whose an expert, Senator, in matters relating to, especially relating to Social Services and the medical areas, but I guess I think the Governor is a pretty reasonable fellow and I don't think he would be involved with them to this extent if they were