

SENATOR WITEK: ...if this is the direction that we're going in for the state to hire more psychologists or psychiatrists at some time in the future?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: At this point we can't afford them.

SENATOR WITEK: But at some time in the future do you think that there will be at least some kind of a request then for these individuals?

SENATOR PEDERSEN: Let me put it this way, Senator Witek, I would hope so...

SENATOR WITEK: So you intend...

SENATOR PEDERSEN: ...if we're really going to do something about crime that we're going to have to be that... But I'm not...you are again just talking about social programs. This has to be included with structured program, work and the whole thing.

SENATOR WITEK: But at this time we are only appropriating less than half a million dollars a year for this entire area. And realistically we probably won't be able to do...

SENATOR PEDERSEN: And what we are putting in right now for money, I will state it again, education is \$204,699, substance abuse, which we're trying to make up some of that with General Fund that we've lost federal funds, is \$257,810...

SENATOR HALL: Time.

SENATOR PEDERSEN: ...and 25,000 for data automation, nothing for psychologists.

SENATOR WITEK: Thank you.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Senator Pedersen, thank you, Senator Witek. Senator Chambers, your light is next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'd like to ask Senator Pedersen a question, or maybe it would have to be asked of Senator Lindsay if Senator Pedersen is not sure.