

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: No, this is statewide.

SENATOR ROBAK: This is statewide.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: This has nothing to do with the pilot project.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Robak. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I call the question.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Do I see four other hands besides Senator Beutler's? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Have all senators voted that care to? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Debate has ceased. The Chair would recognize Senator Chambers to close on his amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, we're now approaching what critics of all this so-called welfare reform had said from the beginning. If you really mean what you say it's going to cost money and you're not going to want to pay it. So we do a lot of posturing but we really intend to continue hurting those who can afford to be hurt the least but because they are the scorned and rejected element of society, these unjust things can be done. I think it is very cynical, Senator Bohlke and Senator Wesely, and others who talk about being so in favor of welfare reform to create a situation where people like Senator Maurstad can say all you have to do is give them these skills, they can go out and get these jobs and child care is not a problem. But those who really understand the issue know that it is essential that meaning, adequate child care be made available. If the woman goes through these training programs they say you've got to go to work. She has small children and no child care provider will accept them based on the rate of reimbursement. In order not to be punished she let's somebody keep her children who are not licensed providers