

that that program is changing and that this money probably would not be needed and some of that we took their word for that on that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But you understand that there might be some of those of us not willing to accept the word of the administration when they're trying to find a way to justify cutting the budget from programs that some of us may feel are essential.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well I could accept that. I...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Here's what I'm trying to get to, Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: That what I said would be more true for the group home salary equity, not necessarily domestic violence. I should correct that, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Domestic violence would be a different issue and would not fit what I said as an explanation.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Did the committee feel that the domestic violence program is important?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: The domestic violence?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, the program.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes, yes, and half of that is in yet, by the way, so there was half, half of that was allowed as an increase.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So then we'll take care of half the people who need the help, but the other half are just kind of out there on their own. That was what was felt?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That if there are 500 women and children being subjected to this, we'll take care of 250 and the other 250 we'll take care of maybe at some other time if they're still alive?