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SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Madam Lieutenant Governor and members of the Legislature. I've certainly appreciated the discussion on this resolution, and I have a couple of questions for Senator Brown,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Brown.

SENATOR STUHR: ...if she would respond.

SENATOR BROWN: Yes, Senator Stuhr.

SENATOR STUHR: I know you said that actually the statutes would probably not be changed, but do you see in the future that the members might be appointed rather than elected, as they presently are?

SENATOR BROWN: That would have to be dealt with within this body.

SENATOR STUHR: Okay. And also reducing the number of commissioners, those are the things that would be...

SENATOR BROWN: That's the kind of flexibility that I believe that this resolution affords us.

SENATOR STUHR: Okay. Also, I think there has been a lot of talk about cost savings, that we need to have greater efficiency in government. I haven't seen any, you know, statistics on anything of dealing with cost savings so far.

SENATOR BROWN: Well, I don't think that we can provide that...those kinds of statistics because the changes that are going to result I believe in cost savings are changes that are going to be statutory, that are going to need to come back here. But I do believe that we will have more flexibility to focus the agency in the way that we want to focus it and to have some of the activities that are currently within the PSC that have been preciously guarded by them maybe done by another agency in a more efficient manner.

SENATOR STUHR: And, also, I have one more. They are talking about the Program Evaluation study. Do you have any idea when that is going to be ready?

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