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is recognizing what?

SENATOR WESELY: This is a field that will be evolving too over the course of the next year, but the idea is to allow for more of a block grant back to communities and allow them to decide how...who wants to work together and how they'll work together, and so we aren't going to be very specific about who it is. We are going...what we are going to try and encourage is a cooperative application for assistance, and so it will vary from community to community. It will be different for each.

SENATOR AVERY: Okay, I just wanted to make sure that, and I am not so sure yet if we have it, but that certain groups don't get blackballed or...

SENATOR WESELY: Oh.

SENATOR AVERY: ...something in that process.

SENATOR WESELY: I would hope not.

SENATOR AVERY: Okay. With that, one...one quick question. I think the time is running out.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR AVERY: It is run out. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Avery. Senator Maurstad.

SENATOR MAURSTAD: Thank you, Madam President, colleagues. Just to share some information, former Senator Rasmussen has indicated that the intent with the Policy Secretary is right now we have five agency directors. With what the partnership would do, we'd have three agency directors, and then this Policy Secretary. So, in essence, we'd be going from five director-like type positions to four director-like type positions. Senator Wesely, if I could ask a question, just as a clarification, on the committee amendments, essentially, and I believe you maybe said it in your opening and I think that Mr. Johnson indicated this to me the other day, but, essentially, Section 8 of the committee amendments or, yeah, the part...item number 8 where it talks about striking Sections 36 through 46. See where I'm at, page... bottom of page 2?