

judgment with the intent of no increase in total dollars. Is that the way I would understand this?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yes, Senator Wehrbein, that's correct. What...you've got six positions that are currently sitting over in Public Service Commission. Their duties could be absorbed very easily by Carrier Enforcement. Now, I'll tell you in all practicality, and I'm not lobbying the Appropriations Committee, it might make sense to keep one person over in the Public Service Commission to hand out subpoenas, to just do some of the administrative things that need to be done. But, quite frankly, those other five, it makes a lot of policy sense to move them over there, and I don't think that you need to add five people over in Carrier Enforcement to make up for that because, quite frankly, not all that work is getting done right now, and that's one of the policy reasons I like for moving them. And so that's where it becomes an appropriations' decision. If the committee feels that, you know, the need needs to be that you're going to fund those extra positions or something, so be it. And if you want to keep some over there, I guess you can do that. That's the reason you'll see the committee amendment worded as we're giving jurisdiction to the Carrier Enforcement to enforce the laws with the intent that they be transferred out of Public Service.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And with that would then come the implied training and everything else that Carrier Enforcement would have to have, as it has now.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Well, yeah, we don't change Carrier Enforcement. We don't change their training needs, we don't change their salaries, we don't change really anything else we've done. Quite frankly, I think we've given everything to them we can, so...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Okay. I wanted to make it clear so I understood and perhaps for the record that that was your intent. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, some of you might well remember our discussion on 41CA, the bill that I had that would have allowed us to...would have removed