

expansion of one of those, under one of those questions that you wish to do now, or....

SENATOR WESELY: Yeah.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Yeah. I think...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: We were on the A bill discussion, I think, when we were abruptly ended by the distinguished leader up above.

SENATOR WESELY: And, you know, I don't want to complicate this interminably. But in the end the hope is that we can bring pieces together that can bridge different agencies. But I also don't want to cut short our options. And if you have a situation, like you were identifying, where the Legislature, for instance, specifically wanted to send money into services, into rules and regs, and maybe over to finance, that's our call. I think it's our decision, it's our appropriations process. So I'm speculating, I'm thinking one route would be to send the money to finance, and then their job is to allocate, as needed, to carry out the duties of the bill. But if we decide we're not happy or satisfied, we want more specific control, that's our call. So it will depend on how our feelings are and what we feel we want to accomplish. I just want to clarify that the control mechanism is here, not over there, as to how that's handled, in my view.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: No, and I appreciate that. A couple other areas I wanted to pursue, and I'm going to jump now to the A bill, if I can, even though I know that discussion will be coming a little bit later. Sometimes we get...the amendments get talked about, individual words, and so I want to take time now to get some of these things in. The A bill, as you understand it, when 1044A comes, is it merely a transfer, for the most part, of funds from agencies to the area that they belong, or is it a transfer plus some extra dollars? In other words, is...are there dollars, sufficient dollars in the A bill that this would be one that actually would have to be discussed after the budget passed? Or is this a bill that could be read, for the most part, prior?