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positions are higher, but the one, the head of the DSS is significantly higher now than was the case with Mary Dean Harvey.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You wouldn't be surprised to find out that those other positions were paid at a higher rate, would you?

SENATOR WESELY: No, no, I wouldn't be surprised.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now, with reference to the coordination of the use of computers and the personnel who are working in these areas, what is there in the bill about that?

SENATOR WESELY: Well, it does have intent language dealing with trying to bring together the different services and to develop a plan by December 1 to pull those things together. So we would hear December 1 what their strategy was.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But as far as we know there will not necessarily be anything to coordinate the use of the computers or prevent duplication with reference to that area, as well as duplication of staff activities. There's nothing in the bill right now that insures those things, is there?

SENATOR WESELY: Right, no, that's open-ended. Although there will be some authority to pull some things together, generally speaking there would not be the authority without the Legislature taking action next session.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: My time is about up, but I've got my light on again because these are some of the issues I want to get into the record...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...through pointed questions.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Your light is next.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I want to get some of these things into the record to show that we've been talking about this merging and so