

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Wehrbein a question. Senator Wehrbein, this would be the amendment you would like to substitute for the one that was up there originally?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: He said, yes. I would like to withdraw my objection, so that he can offer this as a substitution. Then we don't have to go through voting on a motion to substitute it.

CLERK: Obviously, I don't want to interject, but, Senator, because we rolled through some amendments this morning, when members were excused, this is the amendment in its natural order now, and we will go back to the others.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: And I will be withdrawing the other two.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Is there any...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then I will speak on this one. I've had a chance to discuss, very briefly with Senator Wickersham, a little more background into this problem. And there is a copy of a memo that he had distributed to the members of the Retirement Committee in February of this year, and it has the look of a very complex document discussing technical matters, and all of those things are true. But I think it would be worth reading, because when you have boards of this kind dealing with money that really belongs to the employees, there'll be contributions from the state and employees, there has to be a better way to deal with a situation like this. We know that Senator Wickersham is a gentleman, and I am a gentlerperson, but I am not a gentleman, when being a gentleman stands in the way of saying what needs to be said. I think there was utter incompetency involved that created the problem that is being rectified today. Fortunately, it is one of those situations where it is not going to cost the Legislature something because an increased value was determined to exist, which was not known about previously. But since Senator Wickersham can and will answer any questions on the technical aspects of what has