

numbers for those?

SENATOR WESELY: Senator Witek, I could pull that report together. It wasn't done by me. It was done by the Department of Social Services...

SENATOR LINDSAY: One minute.

SENATOR WESELY: ..for the study we were doing on welfare, but I could find that report and share it with you. I'd be happy to do that.

SENATOR WITEK: I'd be interested. I really would, because I agree with Senator Brashear that none of this...that this is, I think, a very silly discussion to have, to have government setting a wage for any area. And I guess I do try to understand because you're constantly coming back with trying to change a wage or to set a wage. Have you ever paid an employee yourself out of your own business? Set a...have you ever set a wage for someone outside of the government sector, yourself, personally paid for someone, decided how much they were worth, as Senator Crosby said?

SENATOR WESELY: In part, yes.

SENATOR WITEK: You have.

SENATOR WESELY: Um-hum.

SENATOR WITEK: And how did you base the worth of that individual on their wage that you decided to pay them?

SENATOR WESELY: There's a number of factors that play into that.

SENATOR WITEK: Was that skills possibly?

SENATOR WESELY: Well, also have to look at the revenues and your ability to pay.

SENATOR WITEK: You didn't turn to the government sector and find out how much that would cost to give them whatever basic needs that they had and then feel that you should pay them that basic need wage?