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SENATOR WILL: Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I would support the first part of this amendment, yes.

SENATOR HARTNETT: What...how do you see your role as Appropriations Committee in this process of oversight? I think that's where some of the people, after last night, are a little, you know, (laugh)...a little shaky, I guess, or some other word about related to, you know, (inaudible)...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, as related to this amendment, the overall guidelines and the plan would be presented to the Legislature, which obviously would have to be next year. Now the way I foresaw the appropriations process we were...oversight at this point, let's say the administrative or executive branch, through appointed, qualified project administrator,... The heart of this is on page 6 and 7. For those who want to follow, what the layout, by the way, of the obligations of DAS project administrator is to do and the outline of what...someone said there was no plan. Here is the plan as laid out, guidelines as to what should be considered in this plan, the focus on the estimated cost, for example, the total cost of the project, decide the degree on which risks associated with the project had been assessed and compared with the risks associated with taking no action. Many of those things are laid out in there. And then finally on the top of page 8, Section 11, the department shall report quarterly to the Governor and the Appropriations Committee of the Legislature concerning its activities pursuant to the Information Technology Infrastructure. Now that's how we were to oversight. Granted, it doesn't say approval. I'm not sure we can get into this area where we approve every contact (sic). Now Senator Bromm has an amendment coming up that I think would be acceptable, but it takes us out of the extreme detail, which we can't possibly do, but it does...but the intent would be the committee.... I want to correct something, the RFPs have already been sent out, they will be coming back in, and in May or June those decisions will be made. That falls right in line when I'm anticipating the meeting of the Appropriations Committee for review. It doesn't say we have final approval. I think properly, if we get into that, that would more probably be the Exec Board. Certainly the