

although I think it's important in terms of establishing the parameters of what we expect the scope of the power of a department head is, and that is to recommend the enterprise-wide goals rather than simply developing and improving them themselves. Having said that, I hope the body will support the first part of this amendment. I do want to address, just for a second, I think Senator Cudaback had an extremely valid point. And if Senator Wickersham were here I would ask him a question, but I don't... Yes, I guess he is making his way to the microphone. Perhaps he can listen as he goes there. As I understood Senator Wickersham's answer the intent, in response to Senator Cudaback's question, was that we were going to spend what money we needed in order to accomplish this century date change. And then if there were money left over, that would come back for further consideration as to how it should be spent. Is that paraphrasing what you said correctly or not, Senator Wickersham?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes, yes.

SENATOR BROMM: Okay. Now, I...and I agree with that intent and I support that intent. But if you read the amendment we adopted and it says until the century date change is completed the department shall not expend the fund for other enterprise information, goals, et cetera. You could simply change that and put a period after "satisfactorily completed", on line 2, and then add a "thereafter", and you'd have the same... Let me read what that would say and it would be the same thing. Until the century date change conversion of computer soft or hardware and data is satisfactorily completed...well, we don't need a period, thereafter... Okay. No money shall be spent on anything else until the century date conversion is completed. Thereafter the department shall expend the fund for other enterprise information goals. That would be the same wording, only doing it in a different way. I don't think the wording matches your intent, Senator Wickersham. And I'm not going to...I'm probably going to want to talk about that between now and Select. I don't think it matches the intent. I don't think there's any obligation for them to come back with anything other than just go ahead and after the century thing is done, if there's 5 million left, you know, try to fulfill other enterprise-wide goals. And I would have some concerns about that. Having said that and just wanting to clarify that, I would ask the body to consider supporting approval of just