

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, I'm not a member of the Appropriations Committee, so I'm dealing with this, not from the standpoint of numbers, but from the standpoint of English, the words that I heard spoken. Senator Brown gave us two examples where money came in below projections. Senator Wehrbein told us there will be no disruption in the cash flow based upon projections. If we are to learn from experience, that means that a living organism has had contact with something in the past, and from that contact in the past it has derived information which it applies in the present, and we call that past contact experience. If we analyze that contact and understand what occurred then we learn from that experience. So if what I have heard is correct, Senator Wehrbein is telling us that he anticipates that the recent past experience with projections will not be repeated now. In other words, money having come in below projections we don't have to worry about. And since that is not going to happen there will be no disruption in the cash flow because the projections are going to be correct. But if the experience with cash flow with money coming in based on projections teaches us anything, it teaches us that it's more likely than not that the money will come in below projections. If the only way cash flow will not be disrupted is if money comes in pursuant to projections, but our experience tells us that money has been coming in below projections, then the conclusion that I have to draw is that the cash flow is going to be disrupted because money is not going to come in pursuant to the projection, it will come in below that. And if we're being conservative and responsible, as Senator Brown argued that we should, we should learn from that experience and expect the projections to err on the side of being high. We should count on those...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...projections not being correct, that money will come in below the projections, based on that there will be a disruption in the cash flow if the transfer is made pursuant to Senator Brown's amendment. That's the way I analyze it based on the English that I heard spoken. Maybe the numbers and the words don't coincide, if they don't then I'm in error, if they do then I'm correct and her amendment should not be adopted.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bernard-Stevens.