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question.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wehrbein, would you respond?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Wehrbein, I was downstairs talking to some young people so, while I was gone, did your amendment get considered yet?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And was it adopted?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Could you tell me what your amendment does?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: It's essentially the bill now, but it's...it's a one-time funding of approximately \$3.2 million under the distribution that Senator Stuhr identified the first year and nothing into the future.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, so then if I was going to look at something I would not look at her original amendment as it would be before me now?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Well, it's...I simply took out some words in that. It's essentially that amendment. It's essentially that amendment with the out years struck.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. Thank you. So now what we're looking at, if I understand correctly, because Senator Wehrbein had told me in general what his amendment would do, is a situation where you're going to drop some money in the puddle one time. That's what you're going to do, and it's to make somebody feel good, probably. This Legislature is embarking on what I consider to be one of the most irresponsible fiscal paths that it has been on since I've been in the Legislature. Everybody's getting what they want so maybe what I need to do is find something I want to add to this bill and I'll probably get it too. I told Senator Wehrbein he reminds me of Scrooge after he had those nightmares.