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methods in doing that. The real...the real issue though is that this study can't stop or delay the work that goes forward on the wage withholding portion of the mandate. That...that's your understanding?

SENATOR BROWN: To a certain extent. What it cannot do is, in any way, delay our moving forward on a single disbursement unit that, at the very least, deals with wage withholding, but...and that date, so that the date that...that is operative there is the October 1st, 1999, date. And so that nothing that we have can...there needs to be time for the feds to respond to whatever our plan is...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Okay.

SENATOR BROWN: ...before that date,...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: What I'm...

SENATOR BROWN: ...prior to that date.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: ...what I'm saying is that if we put in language that says that the Exec Board is going to oversee this study, we don't necessarily put a date in there of when it's got to be completed by. We just are going to have them do this concurrent study, but put in affirmative language, which I believe they'll accept, that says the study can't delay the work that's going forward on the wage withholding. In other words, you'll run the study concurrently, but at the same time they'll go forward with the rules and regs to implement the wage withholding process.

SENATOR BROWN: I'm not certain that I agree with you that they'll accept it, and I...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: If...if...

SENATOR BROWN: ...I will not speak to that until I have...because I am not...I, as I have said, I am not going to have something passed on this floor that has my name on it that still gets us sanctioned. So I...I have been told in...in my amendment I had a study that had to do, which is different than