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local and state money on job training for places or for jobs that didn't pay well enough and didn't have benefits. Why should we spend taxpayer dollars on that? Unless people could show, that came in, that wanted to do training, or the numbers showed that we received every year of how we decided to spend that money, we didn't spend that money for that. And I sat on the grant committee that decided where the money was going to go, and we as a committee, with business people on it, said we're not going to spend the money for jobs that don't pay well; we're going to spend the money so people can support themselves, so that they can have health insurance, so they don't live in our subsidized housing forever, so they aren't on all of our public assistance, because that's what we should be doing with the taxpayers' money. What I did 20 years ago, today I don't see this as any different. Our decision as public officials is how we're spending that 120 to 130 million dollars that's coming out of state coffers, and we make the decision subsequently for those cities that also have to provide sales tax rebates. We're making the decision what are the standards. There are no standards now. There are no standards. Now maybe anecdotally we can say, you know, it's great; really, we didn't subsidize any of those kinds of jobs. But we don't know. We don't have that information. We didn't put that in our bill.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: One minute.

SENATOR THOMPSON: But we do know that we can join the 37 other states in this country who've taken another look at their incentive programs and said, we're going to set standards. And they aren't very high standards. They're still pretty low. And we're even arguing about that. We should do the minimum today and try to get something in there that sets a standard. That's what we're here for and that's what we need to do.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Senator Thompson. Senator Stuhr, you're recognized to speak.

SENATOR STUHR: Thank you, Madam President and members of the body. I have not spoken on this issue, but I felt that I needed to just say that I do believe that this is a fair compromise. I do support this amendment. I don't like to differentiate