

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE
Transcriber's Office
FLOOR DEBATE

April 30, 2003 LB 407

followed by Senator Schimek.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, Senator Schimek presented an approach that I hadn't even thought of, and that's to allow them to transition from where they are now to where they may ultimately wind up. And I'd like to ask Senator Schimek a question, if she will answer.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schimek, would you respond?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. Thank you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Schimek, will your amendment be drafted to just continue the funding for one year, or to cut the funding for both years in half? Which approach are you taking?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Just one year, Senator.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Members of the Legislature, that will give them the opportunity to get their feet under themselves, to notify all those who are supportive of what they're trying to do, and to get the word out that help is going to be needed and if it's not forthcoming there will not be an ability for this commission to function. I'd like to ask Senator Wehrbein a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Wehrbein, would you respond to a question?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Wehrbein, there is no piece of legislation that actually abolishes the commission. If we adopt the committee amendment as it stands now, we simply are removing all of the funding except \$15,000 or something like that. Is that correct?

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I think that's right. I didn't remember the fifteen. Maybe that's cash.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And let's forget the amount. The note...the