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SENATOR BRASHEAR: And we are short, on all counts, on all the revenue side, in terms of matching the appropriation side.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR MOSSEY: Exactly. And that's kind of...

SENATOR BRASHEAR: We are short.

SENATOR MOSSEY: That's kind of what I was getting at, is the money that we're short, and then making it up. I'd yield the rest of my time to Senator Erdman.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Erdman, about 40 seconds. He waives that opportunity off. Senator Bromm, followed by Senator Jones.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. This has been an excellent debate. And if Senator Erdman would feel that his proposal isn't taken seriously, then we would have been done with it more than three or four hours ago, I think, Senator Erdman. So you can certainly say that the body has given serious discussion to your proposal. And it is a large proposal. And I take my hat off to you for the work that you did, as other people have, because you don't put something like that together without a lot of hard work. And I also appreciate the spirit in which you've offered it. And you've said, I may have it right, I may not, but I'm willing to give and take, and I think that's what we're getting down to. I think it's essential that we make some decisions on the appropriations piece at this particular junction in our session. If we can figure out in the next day or so what it is we can live with not funding, and what it is that we feel so strongly about that it is essential to our responsibility that we must fund it, then this is the time to figure that out. And a lot of the debate that we've had today has been instructive in that regard. I feel that we may not be able to get down quite to Senator Erdman's proposal. I have some problems, not necessarily with the education component, which I am pretty enthused about, but I have some problems with some of the rest of the proposals in the Health and Human Services area, and what the ramifications are.