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practices. And you know, as we didn't spend all the dollars, then some of those dollars were taken away, because they were sitting there, to also solve our budget problems. So we never did spend the \$21 million.

SENATOR ENGEL: Well, I understand, when money is sitting there, how we do kind of capture that when we're in a situation like we are now. And now, with this \$2.5 million, will that fund the program as it exists now? And...

SENATOR JENSEN: Well, yes. And certainly they would like to have more. But I think this will be able to sustain a program that is there, that has worked very well. We reduced smoking in kids from 30 percent down to 24 percent. That's substantial, a 6 percent reduction. So we have 15,000 more kids in this state that won't die because of smoking illness. And so I think it works.

SENATOR ENGEL: See, and it's a two-pronged situation here. We want everybody to quit smoking, but, boy, do we want those dollars, you know. So it's kind of give us the money, but please quit smoking. So overall, if this works, prevention works across this country, someday these dollars won't be there. But they are there now, and that's what's important, so.

SENATOR JENSEN: Well, it would certainly appear to me that it's worth more to prevent illness than to take care of illness after you have it. And that's where we are. This is a preventive mode to prevent heart disease, cancer, lung, respiratory, even orthopedic problems later on.

SENATOR ENGEL: So anyhow, thank you, Senator Jensen. But the \$2.5 million I'm glad is permanent. Someday I'd like to raise it back up to \$7 million, if we have the programs there that can spend that type of money. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Engel. Senator Raikes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. I don't support this amendment, and it's not because I don't support monies for smoking cessation. I think that is a most reasonable