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to sign a confession because you knew I'd ask this question. That's not a confession from somebody that you have in your hand, is it?

SENATOR RAIKES: No.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Who drafted the A bill, if you know?

SENATOR RAIKES: The...I don't know, Senator. A Fiscal Office...pardon

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you know who authorized its drafting?

SENATOR RAIKES: I'm sorry.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Then I'll ask Senator Stuhr, if you don't mind since you don't know, Senator Raikes.

SENATOR RAIKES: Sure.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Stuhr, would you be so kind as to answer a question?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Stuhr, would you respond?

SENATOR STUHR: Yes, Fiscal.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Stuhr, did you direct that the A bill be drafted?

SENATOR STUHR: Yes. I mean, Fiscal worked with us.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And why did you have them put \$10 million in it, if you don't mind me asking?

SENATOR STUHR: Yes. Well, because we are in a dilemma in the fact that 180 schools, the contracts, their telecommunication contracts are up in August of 2006. We know that that is going to be a sizeable amount of money that is needed. We don't need it this year, and the task force will be formed to see how they can work efficiently to provide and connect those 180 schools.