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SENATOR CHAMBERS:   Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK:     You've heard the opening on FA150 to the
Health and Human Services Committee amendments to LB 548.   Open
for discussion, Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE:     Thank you, Mr. President, members.   Would
Senator Jensen yield to a question or two?

SENATOR CUDABACK:   Senator Jensen, would you yield?

SENATOR JENSEN:   Yes.

SENATOR BOURNE:   Thank you, Senator.   We put this bill in,   I
believe it was LB 692.   I think it was the very first year I was
in the Legislature.   And I'm absolutely supportive of what you
and Senator Byars have done with this fund and over the  years,
and your protection of it,  but would you mind taking a few
minutes and kind of going through which entities and to whom the
money, the...I think it's $50 million a year that comes   out   of
this  LB 692 fund,   for   lack of a better word or phrase.   Could
you say where that money goes on an annual basis, just   to   kind
of...it's been several years and especially in light of Senator
Chambers' amendment, if you could just tell us who gets what and
how much on a annual basis, if that's possible?

SENATOR JENSEN:   Yes, Senator, I will.   These are not exact, but
approximate.   We have to...going   to behavioral health about
$19 million,  $18.9 million.    That   was   for reimbursement and
that's going annually into behavioral health really to start   to
set   up   community-based   services.      And   a   lot   of
that...community-based   services   and   also   for reimbursement.
Developmental   disabilities; we started out with $3 million, now
we're giving $5 million a year.   Public health; we   started   out
at   85...or   $8,500,000;   we   have increased that to $8,900,000.
Respite care; $1,060,000.   Biomedical research; $10 million.   If
we pass this a million, that will go to $12 million.   We   had
half   million   dollars   into the Legislature here that the Health
and Human Services Committee have done some funding with.   Part
of   that   funding   is   for   the   Behavioral   Health   Oversight