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able to take these dollars, put them into housing immediately and there are contracts out there that are waiting to be entered into that the regions then will work through to find these individuals that need these services and then to provide those. So I think it is a win-win solution. We are taking care of the affordable housing. We are also taking care of those individuals with mental health needs, behavioral health needs that are in such a great need for these services. A lot of this is subsidy of rents to help these individuals get into a little better housing than what they can perhaps afford if they're on SSI, whether that be \$75, \$50 a month additional certainly would help. And then we will wrap services around those individuals. The services are not part of this bill. This is all done through the increase of the documentary stamps which comes from, yes, real estate transactions. But it's a small portion and I think it is a way that we can fund the needs of the citizens clear across this state that would certainly be an improvement for those citizens who are suffering from mental illness, for those who are in the very low income bracket and cannot sustain any better housing. With that, I'll return the rest of my time...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR JENSEN: ...back to the Chair, but encourage the support of the entire body for LB 40. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Jensen. Further discussion on AM1227, Senator Preister, followed by Senator Wehrbein and others.

SENATOR PREISTER: Thank you, Honorable President, friends all. I rise in support of the amendment, the committee amendment. I do serve on the Revenue Committee and appreciate the work of the committee. And I also stand in support of the underlying bill, LB 40. I, too, appreciate Senator Synowiecki's effort, as he works in this area, sees the need most directly, and certainly that of Senator Redfield who brings the bill to us from her concern and her long work in this area. I supported the concept and voted for it when it was originally brought to us, at that time a concept that came from Anne Boyle, who works on the