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SENATOR JENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Jensen, at what point did DED notify somebody in the Legislature that the money was not going to be expended in the way the Legislature anticipated because DED felt it lacked the expertise to do so?

SENATOR JENSEN: Someone in the Legislature...I guess I heard about it maybe in February.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Did they contact you, or you heard it through the grapevine?

SENATOR JENSEN: I heard it from Department of Health and Human Services.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But not anybody from DED.

SENATOR JENSEN: That is correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So DED would have just left the money there and it would be still sitting today if you were waiting for them to say something.

SENATOR JENSEN: Well, no, I...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR JENSEN: ...they were concerned about the lack of inactivity.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Further discussion on AM1227 to the Revenue Committee amendments? There are no other lights on. Senator Redfield, you're recognized to close on your amendment to the committee amendments to LB 40.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Senator Cudaback, members of the body. I would like to take just a few moments during my closing