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it has some valuable information in it. The problem with the Syracuse Study is, without local stakeholders, without local state senators involved in that, there was a disconnect between the study and the implementation of the recommendations. And so I believe that this type of a commission will be more successful in the results. And they have access to unlimited expertise from people across the state that may not be on the commission. But they would have access to any information that's out there.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The A bill would appropriate \$100,000. That doesn't seem to me that it would purchase unlimited expertise throughout the state. From whom would this expertise be obtained?

SENATOR BURLING: It would be obtained from the state agencies, university, people all around the state who will be, I believe, willing to offer that information for free. Now, I would hope that the commission would utilize a disinterested facilitator, that would cost some money. But I don't think the information...acquisition of the information will cost us that much.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: How much value do you think this study, and the report that results from it, will have?

SENATOR BURLING: I think it will have a great deal of value, considering the fact that the world is so much different now than it was just a few years ago, that we've got to take a different look at how we raise revenue.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: When this bill says, one representative of the...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...education community from a list of names submitted by the Education Committee, what expertise do the members of the Education Committee have in selecting the most competent representative from what is called the education committee...community?