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better stewards, not only our resources of the state but those resources in people that we have the obligation to protect and to empower in any way we possibly can. And let's...going back to what Senator Pederson said, which is right, and I hope between now and Select File, and I would like to ask you to move this along. Let's keep the pressure on so that I can work with the Appropriations Committee, and let's look and see with these dollars. I think there's been total inadequate mismanagement of DD dollars over in the department. Our waiting list has gone up from 600-and-some to well over 1,000, I think probably up around 2,000, of people that need services and aren't getting them. And I call that mismanagement when you have dollars left over that should be used for these individuals. You have providers just squeaking by, barely making it, and giving entry-level wages that are totally inadequate. And if we have these dollars, we need to use them for what we've appropriated for. I think it's interesting, and one last point I would make, in support of this issue. If you look at your business incentive plan that's coming out, which I tend to be in favor of, you look at a requirement, a new requirement in this plan that wasn't in LB 775, that the wages that would be required by companies to pay would be 60 percent of the average state wage, or \$19,600. You figure out what that amounts to per hour? It's maybe \$1.50 to \$2 higher, at least, than an entry-level wage of somebody at BSCC, and we're asking for 90 percent of that for our entry-level wages for people who are providing services to the most vulnerable people in this state. And I think it's important that we keep that in mind. I think we should move this amendment. I think it's important, and I think we can have some discussion between now and Select File to see how we are managing those funds and how we might best do that. But I think very appropriate and I don't feel the least bit uncomfortable with adding this into a budget, and I don't think we're starting down a slippery slope. I think we look at issues. Over the years, the Appropriations Committee in this Legislature have long recognized the importance of this minimum standard, and they have supported it, even in the toughest of And I don't see now that we have some additional revenues is the time that we turn our back on these individuals who need us so badly. And with that, Senator Cudaback, I yield my balance of my time back to the Chair.