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through, or a tax...a potential tax cut that came through the Revenue Committee; wouldn't cost as much as this, according to the Fiscal Office. Now, the funny thing about that is I'm fine with where we're at with that, which is nowhere, but in fiscal years '05-06, '06-07, go grill the economists. Go find your dime store economist or a real economist and grill them on what they think...what kind of effect they think that would have had on job training or economic development. A lot of them will say that, with a lack of governmental funding, that the private sector would have taken care of that with a better tax climate and tax economy. Private sector takes care of a lot of that now, and individuals, through our community colleges, our state colleges, and our universities. I'm not saying I don't agree, I guess, with this philosophy. I'm just saying my philosophies and my priorities when I lay...when I try to actually get some of those whacked-out philosophies down on paper, these aren't it. I don't see that. I think we could have accomplished a lot more with a \$16 million tax cut. I...it's just the way I feel about it. I don't know that anybody else out here agrees with But I would say this. Four years from now, five years and now...from now, we would have seen a legitimate effect on that. What the proponents of this measure will say is, four years or five years from now we will see legitimate impact on what we do here with this \$16 million. What I would say is I could go out and find documentation from states, federal government statistics that show that tax cuts across the board have given us those positive results. The private sector, the corporate environment individuals will say that they've gotten positive results from what they've tried to accomplish...

SENATOR JANSSEN: One minute.

SENATOR FRIEND: ...with the drive and implementation, their own drive and implementation of job training. I'd like to see the statistics in regard to when the government takes hold of a situation like that and drives and implements it. I don't think they are as effective. That's my philosophy. I think Senator Beutler, Senator Thompson make some interesting points. Senator Pederson...and again, I don't know that I can disagree. I think all I'm saying is that when I throw that philosophy down on paper, I just don't know that I'm on board yet. And I think...I