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just to portray the fact that we can do it? So I thought, let's use the cash funds. Why use this kind of a procedure in the first place? Senator Engel did have a bill that was proposed, but it virtually does the same thing. There are nuances of the bill that are not here, but most of those can be implemented by regulation by the Department of Economic Development, and they have assured me they intend to do that. This is supported by the business interests of the state that were the same people that were wanting to implement LB 312, so I think it boils down to a simple matter. We want and need job training. provides for the fact that job training money is available. And if it appears that money is really starting to be used in the fashion that they hoped for, then we can approach this as a General Fund item. But when I look at a sheet that says for the last 15 years we haven't spent \$15 million, it was very difficult for me to say let's set aside \$15 million or \$20 million General Funds that they're going to spend right I would like to have it available so that the economic incentive plan that we have advanced shows that the funds are available and that businesses can be assured. We do have businesses that are interested in coming to the state of Nebraska, and Senator Kremer testified about the fact in Aurora they have new businesses coming there and job training is an important feature of that. So I think that now we are entering into a new era of economic development in the state of Nebraska. We are attempting to get into the ball game that other states have been in for a long time. You know, we look back at our state, we've maintained a population of about 1.7 million. haven't been going ahead very fast, frankly. We need to have jobs for our young people as they graduate. You know, it's one thing to have jobs, but I'd like to see those jobs here in the state of Nebraska and not elsewhere. So I think that we need to develop this. And I think that in response to what Senator Redfield is saying, there's a big difference between a budget item and an expenditure item, and I don't...you know, we could put \$3 million in...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: ...or we could put \$15 million in, but that's a budgeted item. So let's see how it's working. Let's