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appropriations bill, it would be available for the next two budgeted years. LB 426, on the other hand, amends the statutory language which would make that increase permanent. LB 548 would have done the same thing. My amendment was attached to that. So I'm asking that it be attached to LB 426 so that it restores matters to the position they were in prior to the changes and other things that took place surrounding LB 548. I've tried to explain everything this time, so if you have any questions on any of it you can put them to me. If there are any technical questions related to the budgeting process that I cannot answer, I will pass them on to somebody else. But that is all that I think I need to say at this point, except...well, I'll just wait and see how things pan out. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. You've heard the opening on AM1574, offered by Senator Chambers. Mr. Clerk, motion on the desk, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Foley would move to amend Senator Chambers' amendment. (FA268, Legislative Journal page 1508.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Foley, you're recognized to open on your amendment.

SENATOR FOLEY: Thank you, Mr. President, members. When the Legislature worked on the tobacco settlement legislation a few years ago, we offered...there was some language included in that bill regarding restrictions on the use of those funds, and I'm having my staff pull that up for me now so I can take a look at precisely what we said in terms of those restrictions. It may very well be that the amendment that I've offered here at this moment is not necessary because I know that we already have some restrictions in the law. So it could very well be that this amendment will go away pretty quickly, but I want to check on that first. Earlier this year, before the Judiciary Committee, we heard a number of bills on topics associated with biomedical ethics, the cloning bills and so forth. There was a bill by Senator Smith that would have prohibited all forms of human cloning. There was a bill by Senator Johnson that would have prohibited certain forms of cloning but permitted other forms of human cloning. I had a bill that would have restricted the use