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utilizing some of that money in that training program and to initiate that...the education of that concealed carry. So that is going to be putting a burden on that cash fund. But I think they need to prioritize where those cash funds are realistically needed and can have the most benefit. I am so glad that we're not taking anything out of the...our General Fund to subsidize this part of it. I think that should either come from the State Patrol's fund, which is realistically funded by the...our General Fund in an agency appropriations. So I wanted to make that clear, and so that I was really concerned with it, that it would not be coming out of the General Fund, so that we would not be...if we was utilizing money from the General Funds and then we avoided and did not allow any money to go for a bill that has a lot of merit, LB 117 with the meth and the drug task force. So I hope those programs can continue. But now that I see that there is money in a cash fund and they're going to be raiding that for this bill, then I think they should utilize that much money also for those drug task force. Thank you. Give the balance of my time back to you. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Stuthman. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'd like to engage Senator Smith in a bit of dialogue, if he will yield.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Smith, are you available? Is Senator Smith on the floor? Senator Chambers, I do...he's not here.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: All right. Well, I'll speak in his absence. We know he's running for the House, and whenever he thinks he can talk about something that will get him some sound bites, he does it. When I read off the list...and Senator Combs confirmed what Senator Smith said, that common sense shows that all a person at these facilities I mentioned would have to do is post a sign saying, no guns are allowed. Yet, in Senator Smith's...in Senator Combs' bill, which Senator Smith voted for, they specifically exclude places, all of which could post a sign. So Senator Smith and Senator Combs thinks it's more important to ban in statute carrying a concealed weapon at a