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those...that area is where we need to increase some funding. If I'm not mistaken, I believe we're about 46th out of 50 states in funding tourism in this state. I've always believed in tourism, particularly since we do have the interstate going through our state, and we have many opportunities to get those cars and vehicles to stop and see the many treasures that we have. But then, let's do what we say we're going to do. I think that the tourism division is set up to use these funds more appropriately, so to speak, in the fact that they can coordinate activities a little bit better, they're more trained in this area. So let's not try to, you know, mix the two. Also, I did check with the lobbyist on how much private money had been matched, and he gave me the figures of \$3.8 million. So we have not matched the \$5 million that we put in this endowment fund eight years ago. So those are only some of the reasons that I am going to support Senator Fischer's amendment. At this time, the state...we have only so much money, and I think this is one area where we're going to have to look at cutting. So with that, I thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR BAKER: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Senator Erdman.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Senator Baker and members of the Legislature. If Senator Beutler would yield to some questions, I'd like to further explore his proposal.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Sure.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Senator Beutler, this...the money that is being offered in the appropriations package is on top of the existing trust fund, and so it's a separate fund from the one that generally funds the arts and humanities and those basic programs, because it's the intent of this transfer to deal mainly with economic development through tourism; is that accurate?

SENATOR BAKER: Senator Beutler, would you respond, please?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I will respond. Senator, let me be sure I understand your question. There is a regular General Fund appropriation, which is for the arts and the humanities, which