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administrators took charge of that. But it seems to me we always seem to have to have a coordinator in charge of coordinating coordinators, so I just think that this is an item that we do not need to fund, and so I would recommend that we not fund it. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Don Pederson. Senator Howard, on the Landis amendment.

SENATOR HOWARD: Thank you, Mr. Chairman and members of the body. I'm supportive of Senator Landis' amendment. I think this is certainly a step in the right direction. I've received countless e-mails and phone calls regarding the issue of bullying and intimidation and similar behaviors in our school systems. When I think back when I was in school, Mr. Valanti, the janitor, was the security force and he was pretty effective. All the teacher had to do was say she's calling Mr. Valanti and people, (laugh) students shaped up in a hurry. But it's not like that anymore and there are some pretty cruel behaviors that go on in our school system. Some people try to make this a single-focus issue. I don't see it that way. I think it's a matter of respect. Somewhere we've lost that along the way. I support Senator Landis. I'm more than willing to vote to appropriate funding for the school safety coordinator position. I wish we could have more individuals available to fill this position. I agree that one doesn't seem like nearly enough to address the problems within the state, but it definitely sends a message that we're aware of this and we're concerned. Thank you. I return the balance of my time.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Howard. Further discussion? Senator Stuthman.

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I would like to engage in a little discussion with Senator Landis, if he would be willing.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Landis, would you yield to Senator Stuthman?

SENATOR STUTHMAN: Senator Landis, how many of these positions