we need to do with the system to be able to accomplish what we need to do with children. And I think for...that depending on what happens with the election, it may mean that information is used to change the system or, if somebody new comes in, it may mean that that money isn't even used and they would wish to start afresh with their approach. But one way or the other, I think we do need the system study. I think we need to know what we need to do to change the system...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute, Senator.

SENATOR BROWN: ...so that we can accomplish the outcomes for children that advocates can agree on. So we're not even talking about the same kind of studies that we've had in the past where you bring advocates together and say, well, these are the good things that we wish to do for children. We're going to say...one thing that...in terms...and this is not about foster care, this is about child abuse, but one of the things that we've often talked about is intake, that that's the most critical piece. When somebody calls, that sort of triage, the severity level is ascertained. Well, in that instance, you need your very most knowledgeable person making those kinds of decisions, but systemically that's not what we have. What do we need to do to change that so that we do have...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator Brown.

SENATOR BROWN: ...people...thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brown. Senator Don Pederson.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the Appropriations Committee agreed that this funding should be gone forward with. We believe that $500,000 should be put into this. And why did we do that? We believed that we need an independent study that really brings all of the parts together. When we sit on that committee, we hear a request from an agency, take Foster Care Review, and sometimes we think, well, is this helping children or is this just funding more money for reviewing what somebody else is doing? There has not been a