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effect that change can have all the information at their hands, at that person's hands that they want or need, but what's going to effect that change is when the order is given you need to cut here; you need to slash here, you need to make changes here, unless that person says that, it isn't going to happen. You can create any study you'd like; it's not going to produce results.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR FRIEND: The executive branch can mobilize this effort. It can be done. Is it going to be difficult? Yes. Are all the problems going to be solved? Probably not. But I'll tell you this. Like I said, you take five legislators, you get in a room for five hours with the Governor, you can solve a lot of them. I firmly believe that. And if we develop a task force and spend \$500,000, I don't think we're going to get any better results than we would if we created that scenario. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Friend. (Visitors introduced.) On with discussion. Senator Erdman.

SENATOR ERDMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Members of the Legislature, I'm amazed at where we are. I was sharing with Senator Beutler the results of last year's session where at this time, and Senator Friend alluded to it earlier, that we kicked open the doors of the treasury and started throwing money out to whoever had their hand out, and here we are this year trying to take money away. I mean it's kind of refreshing, to be honest with you. Another thing that I heard yesterday on the proposal was that there's something for everyone in the revenue package, and actually there's something for everybody in the appropriations package now, and in fact we have people on both sides of general issues actually doing things that they ordinarily wouldn't do, and we have cuts being offered and...I mean, it is very interesting. I cannot disagree at all with the idea of having another study. Puts us in a situation that's better than where we are now, because it's a matter of will. And the question is whether or not it's the wisdom that we lack or the will. Now, if we lack the wisdom, then maybe \$500,000 is appropriate, but the reality of this process is that we are