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County, that is under 5,000 population. I just feel like that they need to be able to participate in these funds. I would hope that maybe in the future that they would consolidate with some other counties if it saves them a lot of money. And I would think I'd like to leave that up to them to do that. So I do stand in support of the Fischer amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kremer. Senator Louden.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I was wondering if Senator Baker would yield for a question, please.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, would you yield?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes, I would.

SENATOR LOUDEN: Senator Baker, on these now, how do the landlines and how do the cell phones work on this E-911? Is this completely just for landlines or is it just for cell phones or will both of them work off of that?

SENATOR BAKER: The landline fund is administered, is set up by the county supervisors or county commissioners with a maximum of \$1 per landline. That money is sent directly from the telecom to the county treasurer where it's accounted for on the budget. The wireline fee that we're paying now of 50 cents per wireline phone goes to the state and to an enhanced wireline fund that Senator Engel spoke of which was his bill years ago that will continue to do that. The money that's collected locally by the counties stays in the county for their 911 call center or their interlocal agreement. And the other fund that's administered by the Public Service Commission and they have to apply for cost reimbursement from the PSC.

SENATOR LOUDEN: How is that decided then that...what money goes to the counties? Because you have some of your phone centrals would be in one county and maybe serve two or three counties. Is that done by somebody who figures out the address on each one of those telephones, or is that by what comes out of the telephone central, or how is that figured out which county that