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it so that there is a statewide continuity piece in the policy development. And that alongside the financial management piece I think absolutely says that we should support the underlying bill, LB 940. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brown. Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I wanted to ask Senator Pederson a question. I don't see him, Senator Cudaback, so I guess I'll have to punch in again. I wanted to pursue this homeland security funding a little more, but.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator...I do not see Senator Don Pederson.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I'll talk just a minute in case he would come back in. I was concerned about the ongoing issue on the funding, and it is, as Senator Schimek mentioned in the fiscal note about the future possibilities of the funding. I'm also concerned there's some issue here about whether this committee should be part of the Legislature and the homeland security funding. And I believe we're going to get a separate amendment on that so I'll confine my remarks to that later. But if I could ask Senator Pederson a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Pederson, will you yield to a question from Senator Wehrbein?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Yes, I will.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Senator Pederson, Senator Schimek and both you mentioned the funding for the homeland security and what you've done, and I appreciate what was done in the committee, your committee. Do you have any more solid evidence about the future of the homeland security money and the likelihood, of a scale of 1 to 10, if I might do that, that we're going to have to pick up some more of this money in the future? Has there been any official indication, if you will?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: We didn't have any official indication, but we do, you know, what the history has been of that sort of