

necessarily be that high. That is one of the reasons we need this bill. I think it is important that we merge the bill and let this committee get to work using the money they have. We have provided a fairly tight budget from the appropriations standpoint. I don't anticipate that there will be any squandering of money at all. In fact, there's probably a need for more money, and we have their authorization on a fairly tight budget at this point. I don't think that this amendment is necessary, especially since it is changed to "may." I can't exactly answer Senator Coordsen's question on the second sentence in that. That is a point, perhaps Senator Moore would have a comment on that. I notice he is going to speak next.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Madam President and members, I actually rise to oppose Senator Lynch's amendment. I think striking the whole section would be unnecessary, particularly given Senator Wehrbein's permissive language in there. I think, Senator... I agree with Senator Lynch that that second sentence is rather odd, saying they are appropriating \$30,000 for that specific purpose. My only guess is maybe, I always look to Senator Warner because he was the guy that was always here for all this. I don't know why, my guess is that Senator Schmit wanted to make sure that the money went, and I am only assuming it was Senator Schmit, it probably was Senator Schmit wanted to make absolutely sure some money went for that purposes. I agree with Senator Lynch's concern. I don't know why that second language... sentence needs to be in there. I am going to try and draft an amendment that would take care of that, but I think the permissive language that Senator Wehrbein has inserted will make it fine, but with that permissive language, it doesn't make a whole lot of sense to have the second sentence in there. It's not that big a deal, but if you want to address the concern, you could strike the second sentence and I think it would still give them the ability to do it without in statute saying you shall expend \$30,000 in there when, as Senator Wehrbein pointed out, they already don't. So, I mean, I would be hesitant to strike the whole section as Senator Lynch's amendment is drafted, but I think some corrective language may be in order.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Beutler, followed by Senators Coordsen, McKenzie and Robinson. Senator Beutler.