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on top of them and we need to provide sunset clauses from time to time. This bill came out of committee on a 6 to 1 vote; I was present and not voting. It was...it had a number of proponents, no opponents. And I'd just like to tell you just very, very briefly what the council, the advisory council, has been able to do in these four short years, and I have to tell you it got started, oh, probably really in the second year. But the council has established priorities which have helped to guide the Office of Women's Health, and it has also helped leverage funds through a variety of means. And the council itself has been very active in promoting different events and doing different speaking engagements before different community organizations. It has more than paid for itself. In the last two years, the Office of Women's Health has been awarded funding of approximately \$485,000 for new activities that have come about either directly or indirectly because of the Women's Health Advisory Council. There were grants from Health Resources and Services Administration, Centers for Disease Control, WISEWOMAN Program, March of Dimes, and the National Office of Women's Health. There's been a variety of funding. And some of the people who serve on this council have been able to help us bring that funding in. I can't talk any longer, because I know that Senator Smith has an issue that he wants to talk about. But I would like to say that according to Kathy Ward, who came in and testified--and I'm quoting from her testimony--the Women's Health Advisory Council costs less than \$300 per year, and that comes from federal funds. So it's an investment that really has paid in terms of dollars and programs and involvement. So with that, Mr. President, I would encourage the advancement of the bill. And I would return the rest of my time to the Chair.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. You've heard the opening. Open for discussion on the motion. Senator Jensen, followed by Senator Smith. Senator Jensen.

SENATOR JENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the Legislature. I'll just take a moment to stand in support of Senator Schimek's bill. They have done good work. They've been very responsible in what they're doing. I or my staff have even attended some of their meetings. And so I just would stand in