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LB 637, 972A, 972

federal government is about. It's about children and using...and with this bill, it is about using our technology and good practices to ensure that they get the financial support that has been awarded to them by courts. And I would urge the adoption of LB 972.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Brown. The question is the advancement of LB 972 to E & R Initial. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 34 ayes, 3 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 972.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 972A, by Senator Brown. (Read title.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Brown, you're recognized to open on LB 972A.

SENATOR BROWN: Mr. President, members, this is one of the heftiest fiscal notes that I ever intend to bring before this body. But it reflects the policy issues that we have talked about being important. There is a great deal in this fiscal note that has to do with customer service. We have increased significantly the number of people and the emphasis that we have on customer service since we first talked about this bill. We listened to the debate that we had on LB 637, the concern that there was...that was voiced on the floor, that we make sure that we do everything to ensure that this system works and that people who have questions get those questions answered. And so there is money in the fiscal note: \$1,600,000 of General Funds, and \$2 million of federal funds; and \$1,700,000 in General Funds, and \$3,200,000 in federal funds for next year, for the State Treasurer to operate the SDU. And then there is \$1,932,000 for...from a revolving fund that goes into carrying out the provisions of LB 972. There is \$1,192,000 of General Funds and \$2 million of federal funds in fiscal year 2001-2002 for Health and Human Services, and that is primarily for the customer service piece. And with that, I would answer any questions. Thank you.