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will see Minnesota has a plan. Now that plan, I feel, is an excellent plan. I would like to see this instituted in this state if this one fails because then the state is in it but the state is reimbursed for all the money that they put into it over a period of years.

SPEAKER MARVEL: You have thirty seconds left.

SENATOR SIECK: So I am not going to support Senator Schmit's amendment. I am going to stay with the \$100,000. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I call the question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Do I see five hands? Okay. Shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, debate has ceased. The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit to close on his amendment.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, Senator Sieck, members of the Legislature, if you want to buy the Minnesota plan I will go for that. I think that calls for about a \$10 million appropriation from the General Fund into the kitty. Now I think that...I don't want to turn around now and look at Senator Warner because he will fall right off his chair if you start talking about that, 10 million bucks...\$10 million out of the Appropriations Committee into the pot to start this thing off with, and you can put the limit down to \$100,000. I will be glad to go that route. But we are not...this is not a state subsidy. This is not a state subsidy. I believe that you can talk all we want to about who is going to make it and who isn't going to make it. Senator Sieck talks about how he started and how I started. I will tell you one thing, it was easier to start thirty years ago than it is today, and I think that all of us who are in the business, and that's true with any business or any profession, I believe, with inflationary times, it is a very difficult situation. What we are asking for here is a reasonable figure. I would not have like to have done it. I would have preferred to have left it out of there and then if there were abuses we could have come in and levied those ceilings. But since the Legislature chooses to go this way, I ask that we have a \$300,000