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SENATOR VICKERS: Do you mean the individual taxpayer as to what school district they might reside in?

SENATOR PIRSCH: Yes.

SENATOR VICKERS: There is information on the form itself or I mean in the explanation of the form that the Department sends out that has a list of school districts and it uses those school districts and it assigns a code number to each of those school districts. Now as to how the individual finds out what school district they live in, and I guess that was your question, Senator Pirsch, I would assume that that is something most people, since most people pay taxes already, already know what school district they live in. If they don't, I am sure that information would be easily available to them if they simply wanted to call their local school or something of that nature.

SENATOR PIRSCH: I guess I am wondering why they are not filling this out unless maybe they just think it is too much trouble to put it in.

SENATOR VICKERS: That I cannot tell you. That is a good question and I wish I knew the answer. If I had known the answer to that, I probably wouldn't have had to have this bill. I can explain briefly the reason for this bill.

SENATOR PIRSCH: No. That is all right. So they will be informed that there is going to be a fine if that box is not filled out of \$20, is that correct?

SENATOR VICKERS: I would hope that the imposition of a fine or the threat, if you will, the notification on the form that we are really serious about you filling this form out, serious enough to the point that we are going to notify you once, after you send it in and fail to fill it out, and then if you don't fill it out after one notification, then we have the authority to impose a fine. Hopefully that will cause more people to fill in the box to start with.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay, just for your information, the A bill which is with this for the first year is \$42,500 from the general fund and then it reduces to \$32,500 for the second year and I would assume then it is \$32,500 from then on, every period?

SENATOR VICKERS: Well, of course, that would be conjecture on my part or anybody else as to how many people then would begin to fill out that form so that there would be no notices sent out or less notices. At the same time, Senator Pirsch, even though they are sending out, I think that is taken into