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LB 310, 815

transfer for the next biennium to the General Fund in an amount of 10.5 million one year and 8.1 the next year, as was scheduled in planning documents for the coming biennium. I would move the bill be advanced.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is, shall the bill be advanced? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 310.

PRESIDENT: LB 310 is advanced. LB 815.

CLERK: LB 815, Mr. President, introduced by the Appropriations Committee. (Read title.) The bill was read the first time on April 21st, Mr. President. It was reported directly to General File.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, please.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, LB 815 establishes the Cash Fund in the Political Accountability Commission in order that there are some copies of documents that are requested which they can charge for the paper that those charges will have a place to be deposited and pay for the cost of processing and the paper as is requested. The appropriation bill authorizes a \$10,000 expenditure of these kind of Cash Funds and we did reduce the General Fund in an amount of \$5,000 for at least the first year to see how much funds they can generate for this...for these costs. I'm not sure it will be totally self-financing but then the bill also has some language harmonizing provisions relating to the cost of providing the copies and the amount that may be charged which must be uniform, up to 50 but not to exceed 50 cents a page and, again, that's constitutionally required. If you authorize an agency to make a charge, the Legislature must set a framework within which that charge can be determined and in this case it would not be...would not exceed 50 cents per sheet.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Any further discussion on the advancement of the bill? If not, the question is the advancement of LB 815. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.