

on Medicaid or state supplement who are living in alternate living arrangements. Basically, the bill involves both general and federal funds for two groups of people. The first group of people would be those that were like long-term care residents and there are about 8,000 of those in the state and then short-term convalescing persons which average about 124 a month as an average. Those that are long term would receive the \$30, or excuse me, presently are receiving the \$30 a month, and there is a split in the amount that is paid between the feds and the state on this of, for the state, approximately 35.5 percent versus the feds for the remainder. For those people on state supplement now receiving 35 a month for personal needs, the state pays for the entire \$10 increase and there are 4,006 of those people and these would be the second...another category of persons who would be like those that reside in daycare facilities, adult homes, residential homes, group homes, domiciliary type care and so on. The way the bill would be funded would be that General Funds for FY '91-92 would amount to \$748,000 and with a federal match of \$704,000. Then in the next year it would go up to 1 million for the state in '92-93 with a match of not quite a million from the feds. I want to remind you that when we had this discussion in the debate on the bill itself that these are not rich people. These are people that are on what we call a needs allowance for those that are already on welfare. In other words, they've already met all the needs based screening and they've used up their savings and all but \$30 of their income is now going for their care. The last increase, as we discussed at that time also, was that it was in 1981 for those people that are receiving \$30 a month. For those that are receiving 35 a month, that last increase was effective in 1988 and the amount received before that raise was \$25. I won't go into detail about the difference in the fact that some receive more than others unless you want to ask questions about that. I'd ask your support in the advancement of the A bill to accompany the bill itself. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Smith. Is there anyone wishing to debate this issue? Seeing none, do you have closing?

SENATOR SMITH: No, I would just ask for the support of the body. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Smith. We'll proceed to vote on the motion to advance LB 57A. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Senator Smith.