

40 percent, obviously, could be a large sum of money that is going to the Gaming Commission. Once they set up what they need for the law enforcement side, if there is monies that is not spent, would that automatically lapse into the General Fund?

SENATOR SMITH: Yes, it would.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, and that's specific within...within the amendment that that's what would happen?

SENATOR SMITH: It's already in effect.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay.

SENATOR SMITH: There is a law, it's restricted now.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, so those that are worried about it, I guess the point I'm trying to make, those that are worried about there being an excess of fund and a build-up of the fund, once that...once that excess occurs, then it would then lapse into General Fund and then the appropriations process and/or the Legislature would have the ability to use those monies as ..as they deem necessary. Is that correct? Thank you. I just wanted to clarify that for members of the body who might have been somewhat confused on that in that aspect. Thank you, Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Schellpeper, thank you for the time.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. The next speaker is Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I just want to say this that if the money is going to lapse into the General Fund, then you don't really need to worry about whether it comes from the General Fund to the Charitable Gaming or vice versa. I prefer it goes to the General Fund and back to Charitable Gaming. If, in fact, the Charitable Gaming can spend every dime that they get and appropriate and hire people to supervise as they see fit, don't worry, Bernard, there will not be...and Stevens also, there will not be any money to lapse over into the fund because they will take care of that. The expenditure will always rise to meet the