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before all this money goes out. It would make it much cleaner to make it on a fiscal year basis, which would be July 1st.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, I could see that if the state were actually having to come up with more money, but it is actually the student who has to come up with more money in this case. I don't...well, okay, maybe it is not a good idea, but I would just as soon...I don't have anything against trying to do this. My whole purpose in the committee amendment originally was to prevent anybody already in the program from being punished, if you will, for the state not keeping its word. I don't have any trouble with the new idea going into effect as soon as it can, today, tomorrow, as soon as the bill is passed. Senator Conway, I'd like to...I am sorry that I did not hear, and I am not sure that I understood your arguments a while ago, would you mind repeating some of what you said, the gist of what you said.

SENATOR CONWAY: Yes, Senator Schimek. I was to the understanding that Senator Bohlke, as she was at my desk and we were drafting it, was amending of the committee amendments. And that was the procedure and the process by which we were going to go at that time, and so I was objecting to Senator Chambers saying reject the committee amendments, if, in fact, what her amendment was doing was addressing the committee amendments because I didn't want it to then revert back to the \$500 cap, which is the way the bill is. If, in fact, now it is going to be drafted to the point where it reinstates the process as we knew it prior to LB 10, then I don't have any problem with it. Senator Chambers is correct.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay, that's what I wanted to clarify. Thank you, very much. If I have any time, may I give it to Senator Bohlke, please.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Yes, there is a minute and a half.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Madam President, Senator Conway, I didn't get to explain to you the changes we are making, but just so you know Senator Chambers wasn't getting rusty, it was he who pointed out that we should go back and remove all that original wording and do it this way. And so he isn't slipping up.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Bohlke. Does anyone else wish to speak to the committee amendments? Seeing none, do you have closing, Senator Conway?