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the lower fee schedule of either Medicaid or Medicare will save 443,000 a year. Combined you're talking about 1.6 million a year on an annualized savings. We need to do that. We need to save much more than that. And with the Schellpeper amendment as drafted now, we will anticipate and budget for those savings. So I do support the Schellpeper amendment now and do encourage your support as well.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Wesely. Senator Haberman, you're next. Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, my remarks were on Senator Wesely's amendment. Since he withdrew it, I'll not make my remarks.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Haberman. Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Speaker, members, I rise to support the Schellpeper amendment. When you take away potential funding you do great damage and you must reduce the requirements. I happen to serve on a nursing home advisory board. We would be amazed, you would be amazed at the requirements that are required, additional requirements every year. Yesterday we had an inspection or whatever you might say. In this inspection they found that some of the light switches were on the outside of the bathrooms. Okay, they come in, they say you will put these light switches on the inside of the bathroom for some unknown reason. This is another requirement that comes down. Every day we receive more, more and more mandates by the federal government, by the state government. We cannot continue this. Look at this sheet they handed out--52 or 55 page requirements. I wish every senator here would just go and review the different requirements of the care home and the different mandates that come down. We simply, then everybody wonders why we have a \$2,000 per month stay in a care home. It's no wonder. We must cut these requirements. I think the Schellpeper amendment addresses this. We will review it and if they need to be cut more later on, so be it. Thank you.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Beutler, you're next, please.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Conway and members of the Legislature, if Senator Wesely would respond, I would just like to ask a couple of questions.