

SENATOR BEUTLER: It is not spent immediately.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: But we can be clear though, at least the money that would be received would be going into the trust fund and would not be spent immediately. The only monies that would be spent would be whatever interest, increased interest would be generated?

SENATOR BEUTLER: That's my understanding.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members. Senator Schmitt, I didn't want to leave you the impression I don't support the concept behind the bill. My thought is though that if that, as has been explained through the discussions that we've had that Senator Bernard-Stevens and Senator Beutler had, that the pool of individuals is so small here, someone to the age of five, or I guess less than five, you can't even be five years of age, has to buy these, I just question whether or not the Game and Parks is going to be able to have any kind of a test to determine whether or not this is something that is viable. And it would appear to me that if the idea is to try and get more money into the fund, that it would make sense to increase that age because if those individuals are currently conducting this activity at no cost, that they realize that they can get a reduction for a lifetime permit or a license rather, that it would be in their best interest or their parents' best interest or their grandparents' best interest to make that investment on their behalf and I would think that it would be wise to look at increasing the age. Now maybe there is a reason, you leave it at, I guess, four or under because that's really what the bill says. It says less than five years of age. I doubt that there are very many people who would realize that this is available and I don't think that, because, frankly, the kids aren't active in these endeavors at that age, clearly not in hunting. I can't imagine a four-year-old actually hunting. Now it would probably hold true in terms of, in the example you give, the personal example you give where you understand the benefits here and you know that the grandkids are going to participate, but I would think that there would be a whole group of individuals who haven't had the experience yet at that early