

question regarding the possible cost and also agree with Senator Schellpeper. But in your handout there was an editorial and it stated that it could perhaps cost an additional \$4, as much as \$4, so it could also be less. But that is what one insurance expert estimated. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Schimek, again I want to just explore how the bill works, mostly for my own education. But in dealing with the children's issues, in part, but if you... I assume you had the alternative, for example, of simply dictating to the insurance industry that this kind of coverage would be available for any policy issued in the state for whatever the price of the additional coverage is. Is that true or not true?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well,...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Was that an alternative?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: If I'm understanding your question, Senator Beutler, that's already true.

SENATOR BEUTLER: That's already true.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, say your question again. That it would be available to...

SENATOR BEUTLER: If I...yeah, if I...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...any company that wants to pay the price?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, that's already true. A lot of companies have already gone ahead and incorporated mammography screening into their insurance policies.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, but they're not re...but they're not required to do so.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: No, this would require them, that is correct.