

boy, we really think we need to have limits on campaign spending. You bet, that's...we've got to do that, the public is asking for it, something we need to do. But it's this proposal that I don't particularly like, whatever fee that was. And if we can just find another fee, that would be great. I'll support that. And then we came to another fee and then other people, not Senator Hall, but other people would rise and say, we can't do that. I can't support that fee to go in there but I really like the idea, we've got to find a way to find some money for that and so, Senator Beutler, find another way. And then there's another group that would say, gee, I'm sorry, that, we can't do that and none of the proposals passed. And now we have the same song, I don't know what verse but it's getting awfully old. And the verse basically says that we like the idea, we like the idea of not funding it, that's the idea that we like and that's the chorus. We like the idea, we like the idea of not funding it and that's the idea we like. It's a wonderful song but I'm tired of the song. And so Senator Beutler is incorrect when he says that it's simply a kill motion and incorrect as far as my reasoning for offering it. It's not a kill motion. My reasoning for offering it is I'm tired of the discussion that we should do it but not fund it, and I want the body to face the issue head on. If we're not going to fund it then let's get rid of the policy. But, on this amendment, and I plan on bringing the amendment to a vote, whether there's one vote for it, two votes for it or 30 votes for it, if this amendment passes and Senator Beutler says, well, that's fine, I'm going to not advance the bill, I will just take it off the agenda, this Legislature has sent a very strong message that we're not going to fund it. And I think we know what the bill that would be introduced next year would do. It would be by someone who really wanted to say we need to repeal it, that's what the Legislature wants to do and it would be done, but it would make the argument on 548 moot. And if this Legislature, if we came to a vote, said no, we're not going to repeal it, then I think that adds added pressure on the Legislature to say 548 is here, this is the way we can fund it and if you don't like it, come up with some other way, but if there is no other way, you vote for 548. But let's don't play the game, let's don't sing the song. Let's attack the issue and this is the way to attack the issue. Either way of this amendment, the issue will have a finality. There will be a final verse.

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.