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SENATOR VRTISKA: It's already there.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...remain in place. Yeah.

SENATOR VRTISKA: All you're taking out is, all you're doing is taking out the way we were trying to raise the funds and supplementing...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR VRTISKA: ...basically from the General Fund in order to fund this.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Correct.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Well you know, this has been kind of a long, hard battle and I appreciate the time you took. I said the other day that I had spent some time thinking about it and trying to come up with an alternative way to fund this because it appeared there weren't that many people who were very excited about the original idea so just as a quick response, I think that I could support this. I don't know what the rest of the body is going to feel like, but I still think that campaign reform is something, as Senator Wesely has indicated, that is necessary and we should follow up on something that we decided, or that was, I shouldn't say we because I wasn't here, but the body decided a few years ago to do and it seemed to meet with acceptance of the general public so if this is about the last way that is before us to do it, I think that I can, in fact, I know I can support your idea because I think something should be done and if this is the way to do it, then let's move ahead with this. So I would support your amendment. Thank you very much.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Thank you, Senator Vrtiska. I would like to announce that Senator Robinson has guests in the north balcony, 31 West Point Central Catholic senior Government students and their teacher. Would you all stand and be recognized. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, Mr. President, members of the body, I rise in support of the Beutler amendment and I guess my only question would be, is this enough? But I think Senator Beutler has indicated that we can always come back if we need to. Since