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more straightforward as far as the public is concerned. I think they're going to be confused anyway by the concepts that we're dealing with. We ourselves are confused about them from time to time. But I think that one thing we don't need to worry about is whether the minimum three percent reserve is sufficient. It has been sufficient for a large number of years now. It...there is nothing on the immediate short-term horizon that would indicate in any way the three percent reserve wouldn't be sufficient. So I think we would be very safe. I haven't heard anybody in the fiscal office or otherwise tell me it would not be safe to take that \$18 million above the three percent reserve and transfer it to the rainy day fund. So I don't think there's a worry there. And with that, I'll stop and try to answer any additional questions. Thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you. Senator Jones, please.

SENATOR JONES: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, this is an interesting discussion here. I'd just like to just ask Senator Beutler just one question if I could.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Beutler, would you respond?

SENATOR JONES: Yes. From taking from the Cash...putting it over in the Cash Reserve from the minimum reserve, the \$18 million you spoke about, what decided on \$18 million...15, 20, 10? I mean, how did you decide that?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, it's basically everything that's there above three percent,...

SENATOR JONES: ...of the three percent.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...leaving what the fiscal office described as leeway for the characteristic uncertainties that are always there in trying to estimate exactly how much money is in fact there. They said sometimes when it gets to be the end of the year, June 30, it might be off a million or two. So I just scaled it back a little bit so that the fiscal office and the fiscal people I talked to felt comfortable with it.

SENATOR JONES: Thank you. I guess my concern is, if we get in