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matter, just for a minute.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Senator Schimek.

SENATOR BEUTLER: You have clearly stated in here, and I'm glad to see that no General Funds shall be appropriated. On page 2 it says, on lines 24 and 25, "No General Funds shall be appropriated for purposes of this list." My first question would be, is...does that prohibition...it says, "No General Funds shall be appropriated for purposes of this list." Does that mean that no General Funds shall be appropriated for anything required by this bill?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, if you will look at the fiscal note, there is a small Cash Fund requirement, but there are no General Funds, and that small Cash Fund requirement would help with a one-time cost on changing the computer system. That would be about \$1,600, and about a \$600 cost for reprinting the registration forms. But in answer, specific answer to your question is, no, no General Funds.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Your intent is that nothing that is required by this bill shall require General Funds, neither now nor in the future, right?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: That is correct.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I mean as far as implementing the provisions of this bill, that is correct.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Or maintaining that which is implemented.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Well, Senator, I can't speak for ten years down the road, no, but there are significant federal funds that are supposed to accompany this mandate which, if we use them wisely, I can't imagine that there would be any requests in the future. But at some point down the line, when the computer hardware wears out or we need to do something to change the software for some reason or another down the line, I can't