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SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, it is a General Fund.

SENATOR BEUTLER: So what we're doing here is authorizing the use of the General Fund for some additional practices. Would that be a fair statement?

SENATOR SCHROCK: That would be a fair statement.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. Now, also, if I'm remembering right, these payments that go out of the Soil and Water Conservation Fund go directly to private landowners, do they not?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes, they do.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. And what I've forgotten is the relationship of the NRD to that payment that goes directly to the private landowners. First of all, does the NRD have to authorize it?

SENATOR SCHROCK: Yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. So the NRD authorizes these payments to people, to private landowners who are within their jurisdiction. Is that right?

SENATOR SCHROCK: And it's usually on a cost-share basis. The private landowner, or the private person has to put up part of the money.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. And that's what I wanted to ask about, in part. I could be wrong on this, but I thought that all of the money that went through this program was on a cost-share basis. Is that accurate?

SENATOR SCHROCK: I think you are accurate. I'm not 100 percent sure.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay. And even though that cost share may vary, if it's true that all of them are on a cost-share basis, does your language on line 14, where it says "may be made as part of research, cost-sharing, or other programs," would it be