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to speak.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Madam President, members. I wasn't going to speak on this again. I think you know how I...what I think of this. But since there were some things that came up, I figured I better address them. And the first is, you look at the fiscal note that's attached to the bill. Now, maybe there's a revised one. I don't know. This whole thing seems to be pretty loose. Well, half the committee supports the committee amendments. Half do not. Half of the people think we should go with the green copy, but some of the lobby thinks we shouldn't. And I'm, quite frankly, tired of what the lobby thinks. I don't care. Nobody has lobbied me on this issue. I'm just trying to apply some common sense to this. And it seems to me that if the federal government is going to take care of it, we should follow that route. But looking at the fiscal note, it says, the very last paragraph, the PSC estimates the need to hire 1.5 FTEs. That's 1.5 full-time employees. I would assume that means two. I'm guessing. Plus associated start-up and ongoing operational costs. And then here's the last sentence. Due to the bill's silence on the fee-generated revenue, the costs of LB 743 are attributable to the General Fund at this time. So to say that there's no General Fund money here is inaccurate. It's two additional government employees, eighty-some thousand dollars a year, and all this when we're having a huge fiscal crisis, and, most importantly, the federal government is taking care of it. Senator Cudaback, Senator Beutler, both said that the constituents want this. They're absolutely right. They are absolutely right. But I think that if we did not pass this bill, we could go to our constituents and say, look what we did, we solved the problem without adding to the size of government, because the federal government is taking care of this. They would say, golly, you guys actually made sense for one of the few times that I can recall. We actually made sense. We didn't expand government, and yet we solved the problem. The last thing that I want to say is that there...in California, they were going to pass a bill similar to the one we're contemplating right now. And what happened there, the California legislature in 2002 mandated that their attorney general establish a statewide do-not-call list. In December of 2002, the Federal Trade Commission announced that it would establish a national