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automatically then turn around and use some of that to narrow the gap. So thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Beutler, on the Schrock amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I'll pass for the moment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler waives off. Senator Schrock.

SENATOR SCHROCK: This isn't generating a lot of conversation, is it? This is my attempt to support higher education. You took \$16 million away from K-12 education but you gave it back to them, and I'm all in favor of that, you gave it back to them with the ability to raise that money from property taxes. We took \$13 million from higher education. They have no way to replace that money except by raising our sons' and daughters' tuition, so I have offered this amendment. And I don't ask for a lot of crumbs. I'm kind of a team player down here. Think I have been in the past ten years. This is the eleventh year. I try to go along with the Appropriations Committee, but keep in mind the Appropriations Committee put out a package and the body didn't go along with it. So you took another \$13 million cut. This replaces half of it. I think that's fair. And if this doesn't generate any conversation or any votes, I can say I tried. For those of you who don't think the cuts don't hurt, you don't live in the 38th Legislative District. A lot of these cuts have come from agriculture. I don't agree with the way the university spends all of their money, but that's the decision of the administration and the Board of Regents. And so this is a way to put a little bit of money back. Gives them a few crumbs and, believe me, \$6.5 million, or \$3.25 million a year, is going to be a lot of money to help heal some things over. So with that, I'll give the rest of my time back to the Chair.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Schimek, on the Schrock amendment.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. I signed onto this amendment. I didn't think I would ever be in the position where I would support taking money from the Highway