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SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Stuhr. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Bromm, members of the Legislature, I just want to say thank you to all the people involved, and hopefully you'll find this agreeable, an agreeable solution. It is a good thing when people can keep an open mind and think things through anew, and hopefully I will be able to do that also on things that I care a lot about and it all works out for the better most of the time, I think. I appreciate the attitudes. Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Actually, Senator Beutler, your light is next. He waives. Senator Bourne.

SENATOR BOURNE: Thank you, Mr. President. Members, now that we've had this moment, I just want to make sure that we're doing what we have agreed to, and if Senator Beutler would look at AM1720, what we've agreed or what has been agreed to is that the enhanced benefits go away. Senator Beutler, would you yield?

SPEAKER BROMM: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR BOURNE: The enhanced benefits go away. The judges' contribution remains at an additional 2 percent and the fees are at an additional \$4, so which at a very minimum makes the plan whole. Is that accurate?

SENATOR BEUTLER: That is accurate.

SENATOR BOURNE: Okay. And so the amendment strikes Sections 1, 2, 4, and 5, and I'm just, again, I'm sorry that I'm kind of doing this out loud, but it appears that in Section 3 of AM1720, that's where we have the additional fees. And again, the reason I'm bringing this up, because I think it's absolutely vital that we fund this, this year, so we don't miss this opportunity. The increased fee is in Section 3, is that right, which we've left alone?

SENATOR BEUTLER: That's right.