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SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Mr. President, members, that's the way it's set up. I'm sure that tags along with the extension of the income tax, so forth, yes. So it would continue also.

SENATOR KREMER: So that would not have to be voted on each year? Because last year and this year both I think there was discussion about transferring that money out of the Highway Trust Fund. We did it because it was money generated that was not anticipated into that fund. Do we have to decide each year whether to transfer that back out, or is that automatic or what (inaudible).

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I'm going to have to verify that, Senator Kremer, but I'm pretty sure it continues on also. I don't think we did that on a two year. I'll have to verify that.

SENATOR KREMER: Was that amount around \$22 million? Is that...

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: Twenty-two point one.

SENATOR KREMER: Okay. Okay, thank you, Senator Wehrbein. I think this becomes a problem because I think many of us have felt that the Highway Trust Fund is something that we do not want to get into and take money from this each year, and so it was done kind of reluctantly because it was money generated that was not anticipated. Now it goes, when it's permanent, each year that's going to be put in there and transferred back out. So I'm going to support the Brown amendment. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Kremer. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, priority motion: Senator Raikes would move to bracket the bill until May 28, 2003.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Raikes, you're recognized to open on your bracket motion.

SENATOR RAIKES: Thank you, Mr. President, members. This is just a motion to wait one day on this discussion, and I think that we will be much better prepared in a day to have this