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and there will be some kind of joint decision about whether to ask you to vote on it this year or whether to try to deal with it next year. That's...honestly, to lay it all out to you, that's kind of where it sits. I think the inclination of the people interested in it is that this is important enough and a good enough thing to do, and augments...enhances the position of the Speaker of the Legislature and the Chair of the Executive Board in decision making about the Capitol Building. We haven't talked about that again, but that's a very important part of this bill which I hope you would be naturally supportive of. But all these things will be discussed again, and we'll be talking to all the members of the Legislature about the outcome of the meeting, and further information. But meanwhile, I hope you'll attach the updated fiscal note as it came out of the Fiscal Office, and put the bill in a position to vote it up or down. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Vrtiska.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Thank you, Mr. President. I'd just like to have...ask Senator Beutler a couple questions.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Beutler, would you respond?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Sure.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Senator Beutler, I'm just curious. You said that...if I remember...if I correctly state what you said, there would be pieces taken out of various places in order to cover administrator's cost. You're not talking about eliminating some people out of DAS to take that spot? Or what is the plan? I don't quite understand where the money comes from, if you don't raise any additional funds.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well, Senator, there...the money comes from DAS.

SENATOR VRTISKA: I understand that.

SENATOR BEUTLER: There was an extensive effort to make a fair judgment about what resources were being put into the Capitol