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ongoing basis, the second year out and thereafter, there would be an expense of about \$33,000 a year out of General Funds. Now, ordinarily, the first 20 years I was in the Legislature, a \$33,000 ongoing expense for a bill that had the kind of benefits that this bill has, nobody would have blinked an eye at it. In today's world, we look at everything. Senator Wehrbein is causing us to look at everything, as he should. But part of the reason that we have to look at everything is because we do have in place in our statutes a large number of tax exemptions, a large number of business incentive programs. And the business incentive programs take tens of millions of dollars out of our revenues. It's not the only thing that is siphoning off our revenues. As we've discussed several times before, Internet sales, catalog sales are draining our revenues in ever-increasing amounts, because we have not successfully determined how to fend off and how to tax those particular lines of revenue.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR BEUTLER: But I wanted to talk a little bit about the business tax incentives in LB 775, because that subject will be coming up for discussion this week. And I wanted to let you know that last summer and fall I asked Steve Moore in our Research Division, a person who has a lot of background working with numbers, to take a look at LB 775 as it compared to business incentive programs, the large-scale, broad business incentive programs that other states have in place, and in particular our surrounding states have in place. And when I asked him to do it, I asked him not to do it with any perspective. That is, I wasn't seeking to determine that our incentives were too great or that they were...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time.

SENATOR BEUTLER: ...too small.

SENATOR CUDABACK: But you may continue, Senator Beutler. Your light is next.

SENATOR BEUTLER: So Steve worked very hard on this project in