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our General Funds. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK PRESIDING

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Senator Vrtiska, on the Beutler amendment, FA1466. Senator Vrtiska. Is Senator Vrtiska on the floor? I do not see him. We will go to Senator Schimek. I don't see her either. Well, we'll go to the next one. Senator...I'm sorry. Senator Schimek, did you wish to be...Senator Schimek, did you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. Senator Beutler, I think I'm going to oppose your amendment. And the reason that I'm going to oppose it is, the idea behind this bill was to kind of bring state law in line with what federal law is, and this is part of that provision for when people are on active service for the federal government and it is thought, at least, that it should also apply to state laws. So at least for the moment, I think I would oppose your amendment. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, if we have federal politicians who would come into this Chamber and stand and teeter on the edge of that balcony on the rail, and when they felt themselves falling forward they would maneuver their body in such a way that their head would hit the floor first, does that mean that we should do the same thing because federal people have done it? If there's a provision in federal law that is inequitable, does that mean the state should do the same thing, replicate that bad thing in its own law and try to justify it by saying it's in the federal law? I'd like to ask Senator Schimek a question, and as she comes to her microphone I will begin posing the question. Senator Schimek, it seems to me that you are saying whatever the federal law has declared in this area, the state law, without deviation or question, should incorporate it into state law. I don't think that's an overstatement, or is it?