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SENATOR BAKER: That's correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So before those contracts ran out, we could drop the amount back to where it is now, couldn't we?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So are you willing to humor me by raising this amount by 10 percent and putting a sunset on it which would take effect before the existing contracts terminated?

SENATOR BAKER: No, I don't think we need to do that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You don't think you need to do it or you don't think you ought to do it?

SENATOR BAKER: Both.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You want this bill?

SENATOR BAKER: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you think you've got 33 votes?

SENATOR BAKER: I don't know. We're working on it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: How much time do you think the Speaker is going to give you on this bill because you say we don't have very many days? I'll...

SENATOR BAKER: I don't...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...buy that.

SENATOR BAKER: I don't know. I think we will...we need this bill because we do have some contractual obligations and we may end up compromising with people. I don't know where that may lead us. It's very early in the debate yet, so far.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, if you've got a contractual obligation, they don't have to negotiate with you. If you owe them, they