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to ask Senator Cunningham a question. And I hope there's enough time for me to finish it. And if there's not, I'm going to make a motion to reconsider, if...

SENATOR CUDABACK: About 1, 20, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...if my amendment is not adopted.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Cunningham.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Cunningham, you had said that, when you were talking to Senator Beutler, if this disqualification notion went all across the board for all categories, \$38 million would be saved for the fund. Is that what you said?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: That's what it appears, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And with the bill written as it is now, with additional reasons--I presume this is what accounts for it--different reasons to be considered valid reasons for leaving, the amount saved would be \$4.7 million. Is that right?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So you will fight off what I'm trying to do with reference to the disqualification, and sink the bill, for \$4.7 million? That's what we're really looking at, isn't it? That's the difference between what I'm talking about and what the bill offers now. Isn't that true?

SENATOR CUNNINGHAM: Well, I think, Senator Chambers, we have a totally different opinion. This bill, basically, is a tax increase for business, and the little bit they're going to get is the \$4.7 million, plus the \$10 cap that is in the bill.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Because my time is up, I will stop at this point, Mr. President. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: You still have one minute, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I have what?