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this looks like a pretty good thing to do; I think I'm going to do it. So I really...and (b) part of our responsibility here is to look ahead of where we are and certainly in the next, you know, 15-20 years I'm going to need good nurses taking care of me, and so to do that we need this program now. This bill came out of committee with no opponents testifying against it. It is a cash funded program with \$1 coming off of our license fees to pay for it. And we also do similar programs for rural physicians and loan forgiveness in other areas of medical professionals. So I do support this. I ask the body to please lend your support to this. Help us move it through quickly. We would like to get it through and signed by the Governor this year, and we want it expedited. So we would appreciate your support on this. And I'm sure that if anyone wants to direct any questions to me, I would also be happy to answer them in addition to Senator Price. And I would give any remaining time to Senator Price, if she desires.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Price.

SENATOR PRICE: Thank you. I was reminded that...

SENATOR CUDABACK: About one minute.

SENATOR PRICE: ...in the amendment it states that the apartment--the apartment--the department may adopt rules that require the maximum forgiveness amount of \$15,000 pursuant to subsection (3) of Section 4 of this act be present in the Nursing Faculty Student Loan Cash Fund before each qualified student is chosen. That doesn't mean we're going to fund on a year-to-year basis. We will be starting out with about \$22,000, but if you do the math, \$5,000 a year per year for a student, and I am not going to permit a student to start until they have the full \$15,000, so they can go the full three years. So already that money, by one student, is already eaten up. But I do not want to fund this on a year-to-year basis. This is...

SENATOR CUDABACK: You're now on your time, Senator Price.

SENATOR PRICE: Yes, sir. As we have talked this bill around this past year in anticipation of introducing it this year, as I