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SENATOR CHAMBERS: I didn't say state General Fund. Were they public monies?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you wanted to use some of that money to pick up funding for a program which the federal government was no longer funding, at least completely. Isn't that true? Because that's what we were told.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: If you remember what I said at the time, I'd been given some materials and I explained why the federal government had dropped the program. I...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm not even asking for your rationale. I'm just asking what you did.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: I brought a proposal saying if you want to fund it, here's a methodology that you could use to do that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Did you support that funding that the state...that the Legislature voted to give?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: I made that proposal, but then that was changed and a different methodology was figured out.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Did you vote for it before it was changed?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: I'm not sure it came up for a vote...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: ...before we changed it. I can't remember exactly whether we'd actually voted on it or not. It was a proposal.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: When the methodology was changed, was state money used to provide funding?

SENATOR D. PEDERSON: Yes, I think that was a program that was...