

projects. It's true in the last couple of years there has been some federal money available and all of that money, interestingly enough, there have been more than enough communities out there that are interested in developing these trails. How long that federal money will continue to be I don't know, probably not much longer given the current fiscal problems of the federal government. In any event, it seems to me that the original state commitment was appropriate outside of what we appropriated for the Cowboy Trail, by a separate bill and separate appropriation, this is the only state commitment of monies to trail development. And it seems to me that you all would not like to be in a position whereby if you had set up a program and it was funded at a certain level it's extremely unusual and I think inappropriate for the Appropriations Committee then to walk back in, the next year or the year after, and simply wipe out the funding for the program and essentially recreate a debate on the program itself, when it should be a situation where the money is not substantially wiped out, unless there is some general fiscal problem that the state has whereby all appropriations have to do some sharing of cutbacks. And in that event, I would even say that trails probably should do a lot heavier share of the cutbacks than a lot of other appropriations. But that is not the fiscal situation, and I believe that the state should recognize the fact that a great deal of private money has gone into this, that in almost all cases where we have these kinds of...this kind of interest and these kinds of contributions the state has recognized that and assisted in the effort. But this is one instance where the state is holding back, I think, even upon what the Legislature itself agreed to do four years ago. And so that's...I think it's a very modest request and the substance of the amendment is to increase the appropriations from 50,000 a year to 100,000 a year. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Beutler. You've heard the closing. The question is, shall the Beutler amendment to the committee amendment be adopted? All in favor vote aye, opposed no. We're voting on the Beutler amendment to the committee amendments. Have you all voted? Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I think I would like to have a call of the house and a roll call vote, please.

SENATOR CROSBY: There is a request for a call of the house. All in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record, please.