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The General Fund situation this year is absolutely critical. There will be before you, before too long has passed, a resolution that will ask you to decide overall what percentage of increase over last year's budget do you...are you going to find acceptable this year. It's Senator Brown's 3 percent resolution. Most of you probably are thinking right now 3 percent, we don't want to go any higher than 3 percent. I don't know what everybody's thinking, but that would kind of be my guess. But if we're at 3 percent, do you know how much money's in the budget right now for A bills? Zero. Absolutely zero. So if some of these things are going to be done, either we have to start spending at rates considerably higher than 3 percent as far as General Funds are concerned, or we have to make some reasonable choices and alternatives with regard to how we can fund some of these...some of these things. And I guess that's what has led some of us from the Appropriations Committee to suggest that since grants for respite care were a part of this program, the Health Care Trust Fund Program, that it would make some sense if the Health Committee wants to have this respite...permanent respite program, which they put out of committee, that it would make some sense to fund it out of the Health Care Trust Fund. The tobacco settlement money may not be forthcoming for a year and a half, but this money that we're talking about today does not depend on the tobacco settlement money. It depends on the other money from the nursing home situation that is coming in. And the projections from the Fiscal Office show 50 million will come in, in October of this year; another 45 million will come in, in October of the next year; 40 million the next year; 34 million the next year. By the year 2008 there will be \$290 million in that fund and you can calculate yourself what just the interest alone would be in that fund. So, you know, I don't think in the long term it's probably realistic to suggest that that whole thing is going to be a permanent grant program because I'm not sure myself that I've ever seen a grant program that could spend that much money and turned out to be reasonable in all its aspects. I suspect the Health Committee itself, when times get tough, and they will be tough before too many more years, is going to have to look at this fund and measure the grant program against some of the ongoing suggestions for permanent structures, such as Senator Byars' suggestion, and make some decisions about what makes the most sense. And, by and large, I think we're always going to be