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should have, and I certainly think, Senator Dworak, it should exceed that amount that they can earn today, which is very minimal, but which they can then retain for their own personal use, so that there should be some incentive. There should not be a necessity for the correctional complex to provide those personal needs for them because it would confiscate all of their earnings. I don't think they would work if we did that.

SENATOR DWORAK: Well, Senator Schmit, I appreciate your explanation, but I'm going to again refer to this fiscal note because it specifically says the Department believes it may be necessary for the Department to supply certain items such as toothpaste, shaving cream, etc., that are now purchased by the inmates, and that's...one, two, three... that's the fourth paragraph on that fiscal note. Now, I'd really like to have some information as to...if that's inaccurate the basis for it being in our bill book on a fiscal note and the basis of its inaccuracy.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you want to make a comment, and then we're going to have to...our time is up on this, and we can take it up...

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, I would assure you, Senator Dworak, that it is not my intent and I would share your concern if that were true, and that is I will get a correct fiscal note for you because I know that the present fiscal note cannot be correct, if that will be to your liking.

SENATOR DWORAK: Thank you, Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: You bet.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, I have one more question as long as you're there, are you ready to take up 497, which is an Ag Committee bill to increase penalty for littering?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, I'd love to take it up, but I don't think I have enough votes here to pass it, and I think I'd just as well pass it over this morning.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay. Senator Marsh, do you want to start on LB 39?

SENATOR MARSH: Please.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 39 was introduced by Senator Shirley