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PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and fellow colleagues, I support the kill motion. Personally, I'm getting sick and tired of being threatened if we don't do it the feds will do it. If we don't do it the feds will do it. Well let's let the feds come in and write it on a letter and show it to us that they are going to do it, and then we can always change our mind. Now I kind of question this if we don't do it the feds will do it because Senator Reutzel just now said that we're spending \$55,000 and that we do have a program. That's what he just said. Well if we're spending \$55,000 and we do have a program, what's all this talk that's on his literature that the fed will come in? I think that there is a lot of smoke here. He's admitted we have a program. It must be okayed by the feds. So as far as I'm personally concerned, on all of these issues where the federal government threatens us, let's let them come right down to the bottom line and then we can always change our mind. But personally I am tired of not only in this field but all fields of being threatened by the federal government. So I would ask your support to uphold the kill motion. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator George. Senator George. Is he in the Chamber? Here he comes. He waves it off. Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I rise to oppose the kill motion. I think there is some misunderstanding about this, and if Senator Barry Reutzel's in the room, I'd like to see if I understand what this bill is about.

PRESIDENT: Senator Reutzel, are you....

SENATOR MARSH: It seems to me, could you tell me if I'm correct, Senator Reutzel, this is strictly a voluntary program which simply allows someone who chooses to make a donation, does not force anyone, and in no way is state dollars. It's strictly personal dollars that have an opportunity to go for this specific mission.

SENATOR REUTZEL: Senator Marsh, you are right on every point.

SENATOR MARSH: Senator Reutzel, is it possible that there has been some misunderstanding either deliberately or accidentally because persons perhaps had not completely read