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SENATOR RUMERY: ...as designated by the taxpayer himself. Is this right?

SENATOR REUTZEL: Absolutely correct.

SENATOR RUMERY: This being correct, then are there any plans to reduce the money from the general fund that it is receiving now?

SENATOR REUTZEL: The general fund money, as I understand it in the past few years since '75 has fluctuated, that is between \$40,000 and \$60,000. I think the last was \$55,000. I, personally, have no qualm that once this program is established, and that's one reason I put that...we adopted that sunset clause, that I put that up there, once it is established and we can see how much money is coming in, I wouldn't have any qualm in reducing that general fund money or eliminating it, depending on the success of the program.

SENATOR RUMERY: Thank you. Would you again for my information and probably some of the rest of the people in the state give us the amount of time that this program has been in effect?

SENATOR REUTZEL: Since '75.

SENATOR RUMERY: Are there any reports of any success stories on any of these endangered species that have been benefited by this effort?

SENATOR REUTZEL: Well, again as Senator Nichol asked something similar to that, I don't have that on my desk. I can get that information. However, I would say that with the fluctuation in that spending, and then you take out your...out of that meager amount you take out your personnel services...I would imagine the funding has not been great enough to have any great success so far.

SENATOR RUMERY: Have there been full time employees...

SENATOR REUTZEL: Not full time.

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SENATOR REUTZEL: Not full time. My understanding is there have been some...and then they plan to utilize the students from the University, graduate students in part-time positions or on graduate work.