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SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, Senator.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Is it right in saying from our understanding that the entire increase would be paid by the person himself?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, the judges make that 6 percent contribution. The state does not make a direct contribution but, as was pointed out several times on the floor, there is a \$1.00 fee attached to court costs which Senator Haberman and I have just been discussing, and I said that is sort of a voluntary contribution. If I drive 70 miles an hour and get convicted of speeding, then I've made a \$1.00 contribution voluntarily to the judge's retirement fund.

SENATOR CUDABACK: But that would not be increased.

SENATOR SCHMIT: No, that is not being increased.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Just the part that he saves himself.

SENATOR SCHMIT: That's right.

SENATOR CUDABACK: I guess one quick comment, it's probably not wise to limit the amount a person can save for our future or your retirement. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Question.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Do I see sufficient seconds? I do. We'll now vote on the motion to cease debate. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Please record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Debate has ceased and I'll recognize Senator Schmit for closing.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you, Madam Chairman. I would just say again that I believe the Revenue Committee, or the Retirement Committee did review this proposal very thoroughly. I appreciate the testimony on the floor today and I understand, of