

those who oppose the transfer make the better argument, then it will not be transferred. And that's the sum and the substance of it, it gives both sides a chance to argue the issue. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Discussion of the Beutler amendment? Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, members. I rise to oppose Senator Beutler's amendment. Would he respond to a question, please?

SENATOR BEUTLER: I'm here, Tim.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you. I know we're in state of flux with the Chair, anyway...

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SENATOR HALL: Thank you, the...Madam President, members, Senator Beutler, what's it cost for a permit? What's it going to cost somebody who's going to use, you know, probably under a hundred, as Senator Horgan pointed out, but under the...clearly the golf course that we're now codifying with the...under your amendment, the committee agreed with, what's the cost of a permit going to run? What is that, if we go the permit route, what is the ballpark figure on something like that?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, I don't really know, but the Department of Water Resources is out back, we can get the information from them.

SENATOR HALL: Okay, if we could, I would appreciate knowing that because I think that the...and thank you very much, Senator Beutler. I think that that, in itself, is one of the...probably one of the reasons for the 3,000-foot threshold, to begin with, because you're looking at large users under the statute as it currently exists for purposes of applying for permits and you're looking at the smaller people for the whole reason because of the hydraulic studies and other things, the impact studies that are going to have to be done that are going to run into the thousands of dollars for purposes of application for those permits. That is exactly why we don't have that provision in