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\$17,000 but the attitude is if the Legislature is not going to pay the fee, we should take away the mandate and make it permissive; that would still allow for that education to occur, but since the state is no longer paying for it, I'm repealing the mandate, and that is simply what the bill does, and I'd request 30 votes for its introduction.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Moore. Discussion. Seeing none, we will now vote on the motion. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the introduction of Req. 1301.

SPEAKER BAACK: The bill is introduced. Next motion.

CLERK: Senator Moore would move for the introduction of Req. 1273.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Moore.

SENATOR MOORE: Req. 1273 relates to bee husbandry and the apiary, it raises the fee. What it is is the ongoing request of operating that program exceeds the amount of money coming in through the fee to the tune of about \$13,000. The choice is simply similar to the Athletic Commission we've had before is do you start putting in General Funds to these cash-funded agencies or do you raise the fees to pay for it. What this bill would do would raise the apiary fee, well, considerably, actually, 5 to 10 dollars on a colony owner, and registration would be increased from 7.50 to 15, almost doubling the fees, but that is the amount of money it takes to operate the program. If you don't operate the program...if you don't raise the fee to operate the program to continue at its present level, you need to appropriate \$13,000 in General Funds. And so that is simply what this bill does in relation to bee husbandry.

SPEAKER BAACK: Discussion. Seeing none, we will now vote on the motion. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on introduction of Req. 1273.

SPEAKER BAACK: The bill is introduced.