

in there having to do with funding. I had a bill for funding on campaign finance reform. It was killed by the Revenue Committee. They didn't like it.

SENATOR PIRSCH: This year?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yeah, they didn't like cigarette taxes...

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay.

SENATOR BEUTLER: You know what tax do you like? You got to address the problem at some point.

SENATOR PIRSCH: I guess my point is, Senator Beutler, you said this was your fourth choice. Did I hear you correctly? This...you had your first, second and third choices and this was your fourth choice.

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, let me...

SENATOR PIRSCH: I guess I'm asking myself...

SENATOR BEUTLER: Do you want an answer or not?

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay, did you say that?

SENATOR BEUTLER: It was my fourth choice in the sense that my first choice was the keno tax. My second choice was a combination of the keno tax and the checkoff. My third choice was the keno tax going into the General Fund so in that sense it was my fourth choice. If you're talking about the kinds of taxes used, it's my second choice.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Okay. Thank you. I just wanted to clear that up because as you know, Senator Beutler, I appreciate you and I appreciate the work that you do. I guess, again, I say these are the kind of things not specific...well, the funding too we certainly can talk about and make recommendations in the committee if this body would approve it, but it just...yeah, I keep saying that tonight. It appears to me that this...the hour is late, that we could attach this funding, but quite frankly, you know, I don't think that's the optimum. I don't think this is the best way to solve the finance reform, or the campaign finance reform and I just think it's a very disturbing and perturbing to me that we are in this kind of a mish-mash and I