

**Hamilton, Bart**

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to me

Hi Ben,

I'm not going to be available Saturday night for your event, I'll be out of town for the long Veterans Day weekend. As for the Israeli bonds, I'm not aware of any changes to the prospectus for those bonds. If you remember, they are an investment that has a potential for a loss of principle and we would not be able to go to a court in either the United States or Israel to get our money back. I don't feel that this is a good investment for a small county like Richland. Our portfolio is only 60 million whereas the State of Ohio portfolio is over 12 Billion. If there were a loss, they could easily sustain it where it would be catastrophic for Richland County. Also, County Treasurers have a **Personal** liability for the money they are entrusted with, the State Treasurer does not. This investment is designed more for individuals of faith and churches. You can buy bonds in amounts as little as \$25. I just don't see this as an investment that the County should be in.