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and make an inquiry to see that that is all that it does. If that is what he wants it to do.

SPEAKER: Senator Syas then Senator Duis.

SENATOR SYAS: OK, I want to explain the reason for the bill, which I didn't introduce and didn't know that it was in here at the time. But, we have problems in Omaha with a...a...where schools are located. Schools are sometimes because of the children being in the area, you come to a place where there is no paved road. When you come to this place where there is no paved road, why we had I think 3 children killed or whatever it was on North 60th when they had to walk...well about 2 years ago. Senator Stahmer I think that you are familiar with this. Alright so we had other problems generally on schools in Omaha. I have been one of those individuals who wanted the children to be able to walk on the sidewalks and a paving instead of getting hit by autos. We have used this rule to my knowledge, only in those cases to my knowledge, I said, where there is a school and school children involved. Our experience has been that if it is on approved land where the school is located the people will not give you the 51%. Lets face it, so the children walk on the street. So we are in a dilemma. We either have to not pave the road and take the chance with the lives of the children or go ahead and pave the road and assess it to the adjoining property owner. It is as simple as that. Lives or 51%.

SPEAKER: Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: Mr. President, I wanted to help just a little bit on this bill if I could. The only thing that they changed in this bill was from 1,200 feet to 1,300 and some, which is a quarter of a mile. They have not changed the two block rule at all. That is exactly what we eliminated by not allowing the committee amendment. This is what we objected to when the committee amendment was made. Both Senator Murphy and I and now Senator Moylan has agreed to this so the bill is in no different shape than it was before when a...a...except for a few hundred feet further.

SPEAKER: Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: I would like to ask Senator Syas a question. Senator Syas, is this just to take care of a gap in the road, for example a street runs along for a mile then you have a gap there of two blocks or 1,300 feet?

SENATOR SYAS: Well the project that I am familiar with which is in my legislative district. I haven't looked at all projects and I don't know where other projects are. We had part of Curtis Street paved. It come up almost to the school, then it wasn't paved, and then it wasn't paved to the next main street. Now so this was used to pave in front of the school and as far as they could go to adjoin what had been paved back to the east. That is the way that it was used on this project. I can't answer you on other projects. But my understanding is that always there is partly a paving then you run out because people won't sign up. As I say the only cases that I know of, and I'm saying this guardedly to my knowledge, has been where a school has been involved. I will not stand up here and say that it has never been used for other