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SENATOR KREMER: I'll read the last part of the amendment again. The board may levy and collect annually a special levy of not to exceed, the amendment say, 5 mills. The bill said 1 mill and the amendment changes it to 5. So the County Board can assess this on the SID or on the unincorporated village.

PRESIDENT: Senator Keyes, are you through?

SENATOR KEYES: I think so.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I ask unanimous consent to withdraw my motion, and to make a motion to reject the committee amendment. Whose ever amendment it is.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter, can't we take care of it by just yes or no on the amendment itself? He's proposed the amendment, and he has his amendment in here, and..

SENATOR CARPENTER: That's all right. I just want to talk against the motion.

PRESIDENT: I understand...you are objecting. That's fine just speak against it if you care to.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now, I can only speak from the experience in my county. We spend hundreds of thousands of dollars that goes to the county out of the gas tax fund. And they want to hog it, that's what it amounts to. And that's the purpose of this amendment, not Senator Kremer's. As the Chairman of the committee he has the responsibility to do what people suggest he might do. But this is not a good amendment. We have a number of studies on it, and we have had a number of meetings, and the committee accepted this bill as it now is, in the hearing. Now at five minutes before midnight, I presume that Senator. or some Senator comes in and says my people object to it. Now I don't think it's right, I think that people that live in these areas have a right to have the county maintain the roads under the rules and regulation that would prevail under those conditions And I just move that we don't accept the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Well, we have the amendment before us and we have to accept or reject it. Senator Syas did you want to be heard on the issue here? Senator Kremer's motion.

SENATOR SYAS: I just want to get something straight. I'm familiar with...I appreciate that Senator Keyes brought up SID. We have a lot of them around Omaha. I'm trying to get this straight. Now is this amendment allow the county board to assess the SID's just that locality, 5mills or what are we talking about?

SENATOR KREMER: It could be an SID, Senator Syas, or it could be any unincorporated village.

SENATOR SYAS: They would have a special levy of up to 5 mills. Just the County Board passed the act on them.

SENATOR KREMER: Right, just the majority vote of the Board, and they could assess up to 5 mills on them.

SENATOR SYAS: All right, I got it straight.