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SENATOR SAVAGE: Clear the board then will you. I'll recognize Senator George.

SENATOR GEORGE: Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, members of this House. I don't really want to go again on all the details about speed limits and the federal dictate that came down to us again that we were forced to pass a bill. A lot of us don't like it. The people don't like that kind of method. I would like to address myself to only one point. I said it last session and I'm going to say it again. I don't think it is a good system that we pay the judges retirement system out of \$1 that comes out of court costs. I think there is a conflict of interest involved. I think we should find a better system for the retirement of our judges, and not go and continue to charge \$1 out of court costs for the judges retirement. I don't believe it belongs there. This is, I believe, Senator Goodrich's main argument that the judges don't get enough money for their retirement. I believe if we have a problem there we should change the retirement system and put it into another fund. It doesn't belong here. Thank you.

SENATOR SAVAGE: Are there any others that wish to speak to the Goodrich amendment? If not the question before the House is the adoption of the Goodrich amendment to LB 265. Please vote. Have you all voted? Record.

CLERK: 8 ayes, 21 nays, Mr. President.

SENATOR SAVAGE: The amendment fails. Before the Goodrich amendment Senator Swigart was first in line to talk on the bill.

SENATOR SWIGART: Mr. President, colleagues. I wanted to ask Senator Kremer a question if I could.

SENATOR SAVAGE: Will you respond, Senator Kremer?

SENATOR SWIGART: Senator Kremer, I don't have it clear enough regarding the reference to page 3 and line 8. When it speaks of "influence of alcoholic liquor" and then you've added the words "or with .10 of 1% or more by weight of alcohol in the body fluids". Is that a change? I don't see any writing here that's Xed out or lined out. I wondered, what was their measuring stick before to determine whether under the influence or not?

SENATOR KREMER: We did not change the law at all as it deals with the amount of alcohol in the blood. The law today says .10. That does not change. But the Department of Motor Vehicles, in order to assess certain points, felt that it needs to be clarified, if for not this ... the same as D.W.I. or a person charged with drunken driving.

SENATOR SWIGART: This does not reduce

SENATOR KREMER: This was clarified because of the Seems to me there was a case pending based on the fact that the Legislature did not make it clear that .10 was the same as drunken driving. Now the Attorney General's Office, since that, has said they are one and the same thing.