

CLERK: 16 ayes, 18 nays to go under Call.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Motion fails.

CLERK: The original vote is 15 ayes, 16 nays.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The motion fails. Is there another motion?

CLERK: Yes. Mr. President, I move to return LB 220 to Select File for specific amendment offered by Senator Merz. Read. "Strike sections 24 to 27 and insert section 24. To aid in deferring the cost of administration of this act, 50cents of each resident motor vehicle fee collected under the provisions of section 63-29 to 3-30, Reissue revised stats, and amendments thereto, shall be deposited by the State Treasurer in the fund created by section 28 of this act. Signed Nelson Merz of the First District.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Merz.

SENATOR MERZ: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I passed out this amendment. I failed to sign my name to it but this amendment is mine, as you know, and I also sent out another pamphlet which was printed in the paper. All this does is makes a much simpler method to collect the money. Instead of cutting pennies on items of wrapping, bottles and bed springs, deep freezes, ice boxes, cars, name it, tires, this would make a very simple procedure so that the treasurer can collect it and I think this will clear up a lot of our problem with the bill.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I have just glanced at Senator Merz' amendment. I believe, Senator Merz, before we would address the amendment, I would like to ask you a question, if you would yield.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Would you yield to a question, Senator Merz.

SENATOR MERZ: Yes.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Does your amendment increase the total registration fee, Senator Merz, or does it just subtract 50¢ from the total amount now collected?

SENATOR MERZ: The way I understand it, it would increase it.

SENATOR SCHMIT: If it would increase the fees and add that to the fund, I would not object to bringing the bill back for that amendment but I would want to discuss it some on the floor but I think you would find serious objection if you just simply take 50¢ away from the fees that are now collected because that would mean a decrease in those funds available. So perhaps we should determine for certain just what your amendment does.

SENATOR MERZ: My information that I gave to them was to