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LB 191.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The bill is advanced. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: LB 191A, by Senator Byars. (Read title.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Byars, you're recognized to open on LB 191A.

SENATOR BYARS: Thank you, Mr. President and colleagues. LB 191A, basically, is the appropriations vehicle to carry out the funding mechanism that was just described to you. And the 50 cents for life appropriates \$768,580 for the first year of the biennium, 2001-2002; and \$926,000 for Fiscal Year 2002-2003. And it's that simple and I would ask for its adoption.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Byars. Debate on the advancement of LB 191A? Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I will be very brief. I had discussed this bill with Senator Byars. I agree with it. I supported the advancement of the bill. This will probably be the last time during my career in the Legislature that I will vote to put a fee on a registration when it has nothing to do with driving a vehicle as such. But Senator Byars made such a compelling case, the issue is a valid one, so I'm in support of it. But this does not signal a weakening of my position. This vote is an aberration.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Byars, you're recognized to close. Senator Byars waives closing. Question is the advancement of LB 191A to E & R Initial. Those in favor vote aye; those opposed vote nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the advancement of LB 191A.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: LB 191A is advanced. Mr. Clerk, items for the record?