

consider the request and when I was able to get that information I went to Senator Warner and he told me that the hearings had been completed. He did say as he has indicated here on the floor that there are funds left by the budget committee for such items which we consider to be somewhat perhaps of an emergency, at least they can be considered by the entire body. I would just like to point out that there comes a time in the life of any piece of equipment when it becomes foolish to try to extend that life. This does not mean, you know, that I drive an automobile 50,000 miles a year does not mean that when I trade it off it does not have a certain amount of utility value, but its reliability value is a very low factor with me. That is what I say and that is what the Colonel and I agreed upon was the situation with the present helicopter. From the standpoint of reliability after ten years and 3,700 hours of flight time it just did not really meet the requirements for which it was purchased. I would like to suggest that I have other figures here in case anyone has any particular questions I would be glad to try to answer them. I think that we are asking a little bit more than the normal call of duty for a couple of troopers to exert themselves and risk their lives with equipment which is not, in my estimation, after many thousands of hours of flying experience, is safe for the kind of performance that we want to put it too. Again I say this. It has some residual value, it is a good piece of equipment, it is a good piece of equipment for somebody to fly under non-emergency conditions. I do not believe that it is the kind of equipment today that we should expect our troopers to utilize in the highway safety program. I certainly ask for your approval of the amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Motion is the adoption of the Schmit amendment to LB 589. All those in favor vote aye, those opposed vote no. We are voting on the Schmit amendment to LB 589. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, I would like a Call of the House.

SPEAKER MARVEL: A Call of the House has been requested. All in favor of placing the House under Call vote aye, opposed vote no. Record.

CLERK: 12 ayes, no nays to go under Call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The House is under Call. All legislators please take your seats. Record your presence. Unauthorized