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SENATOR KEYES: Yes, I do. Senator Kremer, would you answer a couple of questions for me?

SENATOR KREMER: I will try.

SENATOR KEYES: Senator Kremer, I believe it was just a year ago or maybe two years ago we had a bill in that was going to increase the getting the driver's license so that it would be self-paying and it was killed. Did you vote to kill that bill or did you vote to support me on it or do you remember?

SENATOR KREMER: I don't remember.

SENATOR KEYES: I know it was killed simply because the insurance companies of the large consumers, they wanted a copy of it and to get a copy of the driver's license was costing more than it was to issue the license and now we are coming along and we are coming in and said those folks who have had the hard luck and I call it hard luck because all of us break the laws once in a while in our life. We are going to charge them \$50 to get their license reinstated. This is going to set up a cash fund that is going to cost you \$377,500. It is an additional tax going on the people and I am just going to oppose it and vote against it in any way. I will vote against anything that increases taxes and this is one that is going to do it.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President and fellow members, I think perhaps Senator Keyes misunderstands what we are doing here. The taxes will be increased if the committee amendments are adopted, that is true. Senator Kremer has suggested and moved that we reject the committee amendments and as a member of that committee, as a matter of fact I was a member in that committee that suggested in the committee that we amend it in the fashion that the bill book calls for and later on as I further understood the situation I fully concur with Senator Kremer that we should reject that amendment. We should reinsert the \$50 in the bill as it calls for and if this happens then we will have a cash fund as Senator Keyes indicated. The people that are having their drivers' licenses reinstated will be paying to have them reinstated. The taxpayers of the State of Nebraska will not. So I would suggest to Senator Keyes that perhaps maybe he should vote for the motion of Senator Kremer's and continue voting for LB 672 because it will, in fact, lower the taxes to the people of