

not have to be licensed by the Public Service Commission. Is that right? That's good, and if we do this it will open up how many hundreds of thousands of dollars to the rural transportation and to the...public transportation, wait a minute, in the State of Nebraska? It will open up besides the \$1,900,000 that is in there now, there will be how many hundred thousand dollars more and that will help free up the federal funds. Is that right?

SENATOR LANDIS: Well let me just put it this way. Looking at the fiscal note of LB 704, I think you can estimate this much. First, you can estimate based on past experiences that you are going to have \$450 to \$480 thousand dollars of unmet urban needs. That is Lincoln and Omaha. Then you take a look at LB 704 and it says the Roads Department estimate that if you use...if the CAP s begin to use this in rural Nebraska that you may incur as much as \$250,000 of liability there to assist subsidization and then of course you are talking to the context of million dollar CAP, so you have roughly a half million dollars of need that are identified, that have been there the last several years. You are going to increase some rural needs that are going to be in there, up to perhaps as much as \$250,000 and then frankly, in time, five, ten years, the pendulum is going to be swinging so that we are going to use that full \$1,000,000 that is allowed by this amendment. There is a CAP under this language that says, no more than \$1,000,000 can be distributed according to this mechanism but in time I think frankly, one would have to admit that all of that money probably would be used for mass transportation purposes.

SENATOR KEYES: Senator Landis, one more question and I think I am correct on this also and I would like the...

SENATOR CLARK: You have a minute and a half left.

SENATOR KEYES: Okay. As it is now, a county or a city has to be, or some subdivision of government has to be the sponsoring committee. As I understand it this will open it up so that private individuals can put up the money and be the sponsoring carrier.

SENATOR LANDIS: Yes, a city and a county can now be a sponsoring character, a sponsoring charter group, however, a CAP probably cannot because they can't qualify for Nebraska Public Transportation monies. This allows them to do so. It will take a delegation of authority from a city to a CAP. That can be done presently, however, you've got problems across county lines and the like and that has been a real problem and this would allow the CAP to qualify.