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sure that they are paying an appropriate amount of support for our road maintenance and construction. And so here is the fundamental question that I have is that shouldn't it be the fact that those people who cause expenditure of tax dollars bear that cost proportionately to the damage they cause. It seems to me that that is a fundamental philosophical point that I think most of us could agree on, and my concern is that LB 722 doesn't deal with that fundamental matching damage to expenditures, damage to revenue, damage to cost and that is my concern. Now perhaps after a careful study and review, we will find that this is the best approach that we can come up with and that it is in the best interest of all Nebraskans and I think that there is time enough that next year after that review we can come to a conclusion and take some action but my concern is to move too hastily, it is very difficult to reverse an action once taken and I would just urge your caution and review of this matter and to take a more careful look at it, and again, I do commend Senator Warner for the introduction of the bill and my thought is that it is a very positive step to take but I don't think this is the year under the information we have presently to take that step and so I do support the Maresh kill motion.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, don't kill this bill. It is a good bill, and if you don't happen to think it is a good bill, still don't kill it. Senator DeCamp will use it for trading stock next week. I support LB 722 and I support LB 361 also. I believe these bills compliment each other. There are those of you in the Legislature believe that they are competing for the way to raise money for roads. In the high plains, we have never had enough money for our roads. It is the economic life line. It is the social life line. It is the intellectual, educational life line of our whole life. We need this money. We need the money that is available through 722. We need the money that is available through 361. Don't kill this bill. Pass it and pass the next bill also.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Keyes.

SENATOR KEYES: Fellow Senators, this is the first time I have ever arrived at a point like this and don't exactly know yet how I am going to vote but I have some questions that I want to ask of Senator Warner and perhaps they will help me. Senator Warner, yes, but it is never obvious to the man himself. Senator Warner, the money that is raised