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on Saturday mornings out home. People are calling in about this sixty-five miles an hour and no one called in and said drop it to sixty or fifty-five or anything else. They want it at sixty-five miles an hour. If you want to go along with the people, the people are the ones that are asking for the sixty-five miles an hour. This was not a safety measure to start with. The only reason we put it there was so we did not lose federal funds. That threat is gone. We don't have to worry about that. I would not vote for the bill if it were seventy or seventy-five but sixty-five is a reasonable speed. It is the speed that the people out there are going now. If we have saved any lives at all, it has not been between seventy-five because that is the speed that they are traveling out on the highway. I would certainly not vote for the bill anything except sixty-five. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, and members of the Legislature, I just wanted to make a remark to Senator Fenger. You shouldn't say they sent a boy to do a man's job, you should say they sent a lady to do a man's job.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Barrett, do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR BARRETT: Yes, Mr. Speaker, a point of information.

SPEAKER MARVEL: State your point.

SENATOR BARRETT: Where are we at the present time? Did the Chair refuse to withdraw the Fenger amendment?

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Fenger amendment, the author of the Fenger amendment did not withdraw it. It was amended, therefore he couldn't withdraw it.

SENATOR BARRETT: We are considering the Marsh amendment to the Fenger...to the bill, fifty-five, is that correct, Senator Marsn?

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are considering the amendment to the Fenger amendment so in effect we are talking about fiftyfive miles an hour.

SENATOR BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Fenger amendment as amended makes it fifty-five. Okay?

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