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that mean we can't support education in Lincoln and Omaha? Certainly not. There has to be a reasonable availability, and what I am telling you is that every tech college will offer such a course in this state. That means this state is blanketed with this course starting next year. To that will be added whatever private organizations or schools wish to add a motorcycle training safety program. That means the state will be covered additionally, wherever demand is there. there will be these kinds of courses. Out of this then you have no public desire to be free from this owner's burden of \$2.50. In fact, you have those people who will be paying that money asking for this bill. We are not saving them something from a fate worse than death. They support this bill. The program will be available throughout the state in every one of the tech college areas, and additionally whatever areas wish to add it. This is not mandated to the schools. No school system has to add this to their program. They can if they wish. They will receive in return \$40 remuneration for successful graduates. Most accidents are caused by cars, it's true, but this can have a salutory effect on motorcycle training and safety because motorcyclists can be trained to avoid dangerous incidents. They can be trained to watch for drivers particularly at those kinds of places where car drivers are likely

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute.

SENATOP LANDIS: ...to fail to yield the right of way. On your desk is a study of the findings of a survey of those who take motorcycle riders under courses, they say significantly fewer accidents, motor traffic violations are reduced substantially with the passage of a training course. This simply makes it available, it doesn't mandate it and the cost is born by those people who are willing to bear the cost, who support the bill and who want the availability of the training. I hope you will save lives. I hope you reduce dangerous situations and I hope you will take a step for safer highways and streets and vote for LB 22.

SENATOR CLARK: I would like to take this opportunity to introduce 16 students that are Seniors from Coleridge High School, half of probably which are motorcycle riders from Hefner's District, Keith Potter is their teacher. They are in the north balcony. Will you stand and be recognized, please? Welcome to the Legislature. The question before the House is the advancement of LB 22. All those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Once more, have you all voted?

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