

without giving you at least a little background on it. It is to build what they call the Storz Connector and attach it to a freeway. The freeway starts nowhere and ends nowhere but it accomplishes what urban renewal would be designed to accomplish if they had it in Nebraska. Without urban renewal you cannot move large numbers of black people off the land but you can start a large highway project and use considerable powers of eminent domain to do so. Then you can allow Boys' Town and other large private moneyed interest groups to come in and steal the land from the people and the same way that the land was stolen from the native Americans. Do you know how much that part of Omaha's project is going to cost, Senator Lamb? It is going to cost over \$5,000,000 in Omaha money on a project that the people in the community destroyed by it don't want and, Senator Maresh, you and others are trying to get bonds from the state, \$4,000,000 worth to build roads. Well you have over \$8,000,000 in state money going to that same project that the community does not want. It serves a very worthwhile and acceptable American purpose because by decimating that community and throwing people out, it will destroy the two districts from which we send people to the Legislature and to the city council. It goes through the middle of the district that I represent. It goes through the middle of the city council district that would send the black person to the city council. So you move people out and if you look at the figures that all of you have gotten, you see that this district that I live in has lost more population than any other one in the state probably. And I have articles from the World Herald that point out that this freeway project is one of the big culprits. The housing is deteriorated. It is insufficient because the highway project has lowered the value of the land....

SENATOR CLARK: You have one minute left.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...for residential purposes. You cannot get loans on your houses because they say your house does not have a value to justify the loan. So, when your housing deteriorates, they declare it substandard and you get out too. Go where? What difference does it make? Just get out and the land abuts Omaha's downtown area which is now being built up that they need additional land to expand into and the land is where the poor people that I represent live. And then they come in here, throwing away over \$5,000,000 and telling you to enact a sales tax that will further oppress these people. Don't let me invite some of you senators to the area I represent this summer. Let me dare some of you to come and walk the streets with me. I will walk with you and let us see whether I am lying to you. Let us see if there is a difference in hostility there.