

accidents. Any statistic that you can find that would indicate that vehicle condition had something to do with the accident will suggest that those statistics, that those percentages are very, very low, 2% or less, and even then when you ask the question, "How do you determine that that mechanical failure is what caused the accident,"

SPEAKER MARVEL: Thirty seconds.

SENATOR VICKERS: ...they can tell you that they cannot determine that. So the bottom line is we have got a program that has not worked that has cost the people of this state a tremendous amount of money and I am suggesting we do away with it and get something that does work. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wesely, do you wish to speak to the bill?

SENATOR WESELY: Are there amendments up or...?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Well there is an amendment and then there are two, four, there are six speakers including you.

SENATOR WESELY: I will go ahead and speak to the bill then. I oppose the bill. I oppose LB 35 and I do it knowing that it is not the most popular position to take but I encourage others on the body to again also oppose LB 35. That does not mean you have to support the present program we now have. I think that is critical because I think if you talked to anybody in the State of Nebraska they are going to tell you that the present Motor Vehicle Inspection Program that the State of Nebraska has got a lot of problems. It needs to be inspected itself, quite frankly, and I have no doubt about that. When I have talked to groups and I have talked to a number of them because I was on the committee that heard this bill, I asked them, "How do you feel about motor vehicle inspection?" And most of the time you will find a majority of people saying, keep the program but improve the program and of those minority people who will say, "Get rid of the program outright", if you talk to them for a while, they will say well we need some sort of a program and I think what you will find in the state is that if we took the time, if we took the time over the interim and looked at the situation, I think you will find a number of research studies has been done to look at the problem of motor vehicle inspection in the country and they have indicated quite clearly that there are better programs that we could be looking at that we could modify the Nebraska program to follow, that there are options that the state