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answer. So that is why I was in favor and still am in favor of doing away with this state inspection system. However, if the study proposed by Senator DeCamp would result in showing a number of people that are actually unethical in using the sticker inspection system to sell people needless repairs, and if out of that comes a bill that puts a very high penalty on these people, not just taking away their right to do state inspections, but actually prosecutes them for fraud, then I will vote to keep the state inspection system provided they do that, or if after they make the study they discover that maybe we are better off to go back to the way we originally started this state inspection. You remember originally you went through a state inspection system, you didn't go to private garages, but towards the end of the month when it came time for that sticker to expire the lines were blocks and blocks long in Omaha, people waiting to go through the inspection system. But at least it was run by objective persons. They didn't have a nickel to make off the inspection. They didn't care whether you passed or failed because all they were doing was working for the state and inspecting the vehicles. So if the DeCamp amendment comes up with a study that shows what I believe to be true that some of these operators, not all of them, are ripping off the public, and if out of that study they decide to go back to the state itself doing the inspection, or they put some very strong penalties on people committing fraud, then I will vote for the state inspection system. So I am willing to give the state inspection system a chance and at least do a study on it, but if that study comes back and it isn't going to change matters the way they are today, then I will continue to support Senator Vickers' bill to do away with the state

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Schmit is the next speaker, but prior to his speaking, Senator Warner has seventy 4th Grade students in the north balcony from the Hamlow Elementary School in Waverly, Nebraska. Their instructors are Nancy Schwaninger, Peggy Weber and Kirk Vance. Would you stand and be recognized, please. Thank you for attending the Legislature. Senator Schmit.

inspection system. Thank you, Senators.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, sorry I was late this morning but when I was coming in the hall and I heard Senator Dworak's impassioned plea I thought Senator Chambers' was back on the death penalty because only such an urgent matter could possibly create such an intense type of discussion. But anyway, I want to say this, there has been a lot of things said here about the inspection program being a farce. First of all, if it is

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