

SENATOR KOCH: But you are not going to circumvent the vote of the people in terms of those kind of improvements that the city makes for various say, sewers, street improvements and things of that nature.

SENATOR LANDIS: Street improvement, sewer improvements can be done without a bond. They are oftentimes done without bonds if they are of a magnitude that the city can pay for. Those go through the normal political process. When there is a big chunk of money, you can't put into a budget you go to a bond. But no, there is no attempt to circumvent the votes of the people where legitimate of the using of bonds for the payment for infrastructure improvements.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you. One last question. If this bill were to pass, is this money outside the lid?

SENATOR LANDIS: Yes, it is.

SENATOR KOCH: It is outside of the lid, thank you.

SENATOR KAHLE: The next name we have is Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I rise to comment on my position on this, on the legislation. I consistently voted against any amendment and I would continue to do that. You know the argument on the Omaha bill to speak against it was being anti-Omaha, or at least that is what you were accused of. So since this affects the city, a portion of which I represent, while I feel free to speak against the bill, because no one can accuse me, I hope, of being anti-the community of which I have the privilege to represent a portion of. I have consistently opposed the expansion, including the initial one percent back in 1969, with only one exception and that when someone was attempting to use one of the Omaha bills introduced by Senator Labeledz as a, if I can borrow the phrase, one of the news media columnist's columns, attempt to use the bill as a "Tugboat Annie" or tugboat for some other things which was also distasteful to me and I voted on Final Reading yes to get it out of the way. But I have very strong feelings that it is a totally inappropriate, totally inappropriate for the state to give away its tax base as long as we rely in part on the sales tax for state operation. I, like Senator Schmit have also introduced Legislation, 916, however, I would not attempt to tack it on this bill or any other bill this session, which clearly separates the sales tax and income tax with all of the sales tax going for the variety of aid programs that have been appropriated by the Legislature for those governmental subdivisions that are appropriate. But, I can not support further extension as it is proposed