

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you Mr. Chairman, members of the body, as I stated in my opening remarks if we are going to sunset motor vehicle inspection, I was with Senator Cope, I didn't vote to sunset it in the first place. We introduced legislation to maintain it. I think this is a very indirect way of saying to the public, you won't have motor vehicle inspections anymore but you are going to pay \$3.75 for the privilege of funding the highway patrol. As I said before the highway patrol is a very noble body and I support them. But, I'm not too sure this body is willing to strike Section 15. I suggest to you if you don't want my amendment then what you ought to do is vote no when we go to adopt Section 15 and do away with it completely and let us fund the state patrol out of the General Fund as we always have and not try to do it indirectly. I think this is not very fair to the public. In fact I think it is deceitful. The public should know that if we need money, we have one source to go to and that is income, corporate and sales tax and possibly it is time we go there instead of trying to do these things we are trying to do through appropriation bills and I don't cast disparaging remarks to the committee. I know how difficult it has been for them to try to meet the test. But, this is not the proper way to do it. I ask for the adoption of the amendment. If you don't adopt it, then we ought to strike 15 totally when we go to adopt that committee amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Question before the House is the adoption of the Koch amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Have you all voted?

CLERK: Senator Clark voting no.

SENATOR CLARK: Once more, have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 16 ayes, 14 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Koch's amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Koch's amendment is adopted. Now on the Section 15. Senator Burrows, do you want to talk on Section 15?

SENATOR BURROWS: Yes. Mr. President, members of the body, I oppose Section 15 on the basis it is merely a shift to regressive taxation to take what was normally funded out of General Funds in the State of Nebraska and shift it to a per vehicle \$3.75 a vehicle additional tax. The state patrol has been historically funded out of the General Fund system of the state, which is not as regressive a form