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to us that we want to have done. Now that requires a great deal of reflection and care on our part. I think Senator Stoney has touched on a program that could have outlived its usefulness, but we don't know that to a certainty. There was an article that appeared in the Omaha World Herald several months ago discussing a study done by some think tank, as I recall, on the east coast which to my surprise said that driver's education programs tend to increase, believe it or not, the fatality, property damage and personal injury rate among teenagers. Why? Because when teenagers go through a driver's education program, they complete that program with the false notion that they are now good drivers and so they get on our highways and the roadways and because they are young people and because they are not experienced drivers, they do have the accidents. Now I found that to be a surprising article. But in light of that particular finding it seemed to me that it would be in our state's best interest to reexamine the whole Driver's Education program. It might well be that we would want at this juncture to disband that type of an offering. But I am not prepared to do it today. I think again...I think again that what we need to do, and this would be my position consistently throughout this session, is there should not be a rush to judgment on cutting back funds across the board. Instead we should realize very simply that we are faced with a new economic climate and during the course of the regular session we should carefully screen out those programs that no longer are of great use and utility to us, that have high cost in relationship to benefit and we can clearly find the kind of money that we need...that we need to continue to make this state a great state. I do think we would act too hastily at this time in approving Senator Stoney's amendment. On the other hand, I would encourage all of us to recognize that during the next regular session we genuinely ought to take a full look at the Driver's Education program.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Mr. President, I move the previous question.

PRESIDENT: Do I see five hands? I do. The question is, shall debate cease? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record the vote.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 2 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries, debate ceases. Senator Stoney, you may close.