

does only to find out they do mean business and they will cut us off. Now the figures were erroneous yesterday that we got on how much money Douglas County has collected, and what they have collected they wouldn't have been able to were it not for the child enforcement law that the federal government enacted. And the money is coming, Senator Schmit, 75 percent from the federal government and 25 percent Douglas County puts in. The state is not putting anything into this, but we are going to lose it all if we don't put that lousy little 10 percent in, as Justice Krivosha says is going to end up being thrown out anyway. And just for right now I have the latest figures from Douglas County. From 1974 to 1980 we had 143 percent increase in the collection of child support payments. January through October of this year we have collected \$9,673,694. Now if the federal government is giving us 75 percent of the cost to collect that, even if they ask for 10 percent back, they are still giving us 65 percent. So either way we can't lose. I just have to urge the body to accept this amendment and the next time you look at a pair of dice, think of Senator Schmit, the high roller. Thank you, Senators.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Wagner.

SENATOR WAGNER: I have a question of Senator Cullan if he is around.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cullan, would you respond to Senator Wagner? Senator Cullan, where are you? Here he is.

SENATOR WAGNER: Senator Cullan, I have...in the amendment that has been adopted that is in the Journal in relation to that 10 percent, can you tell me how the federal government determined that 10 percent was the figure? Do you have any idea?

SENATOR CULLAN: Excuse me, I guess I don't quite comprehend your question.

SENATOR WAGNER: There is a 10 percent collection fee in the amendment that is presently adopted, and Senator Schmit has an amendment there to do away with it. My question is, how was the 10 percent determined? Do you have any idea?

SENATOR CULLAN: The 10 percent is the fee required by the Omnibus Reconciliation Act recently enacted by Congress. Without that language we will not meet the requirements of that act and we will not receive \$1.6 million in funds. So that is required by Congress.