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LR 27, 28

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, please.

SENATOR WARNER: Sure.

SENATOR LYNCH: What I was going to ask Senator Warner is the funding, if this resolution is passed, apparently there is somewhere around 31 million bucks. It can be funded either through a gas tax increase, or an Appropriation's Committee recommendation for General Fund revenues, or how does it work?

SENATOR WARNER: You're talking about the state...you're not talking about the resolution now, you're talking about the...

SENATOR LYNCH: The project itself, yes.

SENATOR WARNER: No, this resolution deals only with the total amount of apportionment...in Nebraska's case would be the apportionment of Federal Highway Trust Fund and the difference between the apportionment that Nebraska is entitled to and the obligation authority, which we have been given, and that gap between those two, of what has been collected proportionately to go to Nebraska and what we have received over the last about, well five or six years now I guess. By the end of next biennium that will be...have accumulated up to \$84 million of funds in the case of roads. And the \$6 billion that is being held at the federal level that affects mass transit, primarily would go to well Lincoln and Omaha. I do not know what share of that \$6 billion would come back, I don't know the dollar amount that would come back. Obviously that is being held and as you perhaps know mass transit has been getting cut at the federal level and this would relieve their problem, too, if those funds were released.

SENATOR LYNCH: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Warner, please. Did you wish to close on your resolution? All right. The question is the adoption of the resolution. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of LR 27.

PRESIDENT: The resolution is adopted. LR 28, please.