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value our service here in the body and our service to the State of Nebraska. And I think if you enjoy that service to the State of Nebraska, you want to become more involved and participate more fully in the Legislature, and that is my desire this morning. This morning my desire is to pledge to you to work very, very hard to become more involved personally with the dealings of the Legislature and the Transportation Committee. The Transportation Committee, as I look at it, is the committee of the future. It deals with the communications, the roads, the railroads, all those things that are vital to the State of Nebraska in the years to come. I want to be part of that and I want to offer my energy and my dedication to do that because I think that is what is going to carry us into the future is the energy and the dedication in these areas. And the Transportation Committee is full of potential. It is that potential that I offer to you my service and I would sincerely like to serve as its chairman for the next two years. With that I pledge you to work fully with every person in the body. Fairness and patience are probably the two greatest virtues of a chairman. I will work extremely hard to offer those two qualities and will work with every member of the Legislature. With that, I place my name in nomination and I'd appreciate your vote.

PRESIDENT NICHOL: Thank you. Senator Lamb, please.

SENATOR LAMB: Yes, Mr. President and members, what can I say? What can I say? I have been chairman of this committee since its inception. It was formed just four years ago. I have served as the committee (sic), and as Senator Kristensen said, fairness and patience are good attributes of the chairman. I think I have exhibited those. For those of you who are new here, I might just review briefly that Transportation, as you probably know, has to do with motor vehicle related bills, highway related, railroad related, common carriers, including pipelines and commercial vehicles, and telephones, and one of the things that we have been most involved with is the federal mandate that we have, the commercial driver's license system overhaul. We have done that. I have been proud of the bill that was passed by this Legislature which puts Nebraska in the forefront in that area, and we did it without excess charge to our people. We are charging \$20 for those licenses where other states are going as high as \$150. The first proposals we had were that there would be a high charge, but we've worked it out so that has not been necessary. Another area that I have really