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had the legal ability to require the removal of weeds under existing statutes and it was decided that they didn't and thus, your second class cities and villages also do not now presently have that authority if someone takes them to court. This would change that and would allow them to have the authority. It's patterned after the Omaha language, the Omaha ordinance, which has worked successfully in the past. Any owner violating the ordinance would be guilty of a Class V misdemeanor, maximum \$100 fine, no imprisonment. But first they would have the option to go before the council and get this reviewed. They must be given notice that they want the weeds cut or the litter removed by personal service or certified mail and then the property owner could either cut it or request a hearing. If they request a hearing within five days then they sit down and discuss it, discuss the abatement measures necessary. Failure to comply after the hearing would permit the city to act to abate the nuisance and then authorize it to assess the cost of the abatement as a special assessment against the property. There are also definitions of litter and worthless vegetation were included in there. Again, I'd mention cities of the second class do not have this authority now, folks, because of the Falls City court case. So, if you feel they should have the authority, which I do, again trying to clean up our cities to give, project the image we want to project down there and this allows a reasonable way to get this accomplished and I'd urge your support. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Morrissey. Senator Schmit, do you wish to talk to the Morrissey amendment?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, Mr. President, and inevitably I will also touch a bit upon the bill, but I have several questions. First, do you believe, Senator Morrissey, that the cities are going to enforce this uniformly or is there a possibility that this might be enforced in a nonuniform manner in a way which could be discriminatory to certain individuals or certain property owners?

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Morrissey, would you respond, please.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: I'm sorry, Senator Schmit, I was discussing the bill with some other senators.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, to repeat again, I'm concerned a little bit now because we at the present time have a number of