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PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hefner. Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Crosby, I just want to point out that, yes, as I am flying over the roads back and forth, I want you to know that I have a very strong interest in those roads being very, very good, because if that engine ever quits, I want a nice smooth, nice highway to land that airplane on. So I have a very good incentive for keeping the roads as highly maintained as possible. Senator Moore, I guess I am going to use one of your analogies. Senator Moore, if I were in a uniform that had a black and white stripe and I had some white pants on, I would be pulling out my little hanky and I would be throwing it and I would be saying, foul, to quote one of your analogies. And the penalty would be illegal shift. The penalty would be illegal shift, and if we went into the huddle on the play that your team called, the play would have been a power play, Senator Moore, and it would have been called red herring rights. That was the play that you called. And I haven't seen Senator Moore bring up a lot of red herrings like he has done today to divert the issue from what we really need to be talking about. Senator Moore, we're not talking about increasing taxes on the Highway Trust Fund or on fuel taxes. We're not talking about an increase to the taxes. It's a nice issue to bring up, nobody wants that, but certainly you know we can cut the Department of Roads Funds, we can work it within the budget of the Appropriations Committee and there does not have to be any type of tax increase. We're not talking about that. We're not talking about NEBSAT. We're not talking about all the other educational programs, what we're going to do. Those are things that the Appropriations Committee, the Education Committee and the Legislature decides what are we going to do with funding as far as our General Fund appropriation. And your discussion about last year's discussion on 1059 when we chose, in your words, not to divorce ourselves from the Highway Trust Fund, wrong, Senator Moore. That is not what happened and I think you know that. The discussion on the floor, quite honestly, had nothing to do with the Highway Trust Fund. The discussion on the floor was and privately is do we take on the Highway Trust Fund knowing that we need 30 votes for an override, losing some people on 1059 because we've raided the Trust Fund. We did what was right putting the money into education which was the intent or do we go ahead and leave it and come back to it later because we needed the 30 votes for the