

memory, even though we've driven for years without an accident. There are things in there that it does help you to study that book. But the reason that the course was cut out again was financially. The schools were asked to pick it up. Part of the, as it says, part of the charge of the driver's license was for this safety course. So, if you're not going to find...cut the cost of the driver's license back down again. You know that's not going to happen. But, again, I have some real problems mandating, and as Scott says, our phones will be ringing, and changing this age to 17 or 18, and then comes the question of the family, I think Senator Chizek said, I have six kids, four of them I decided to send to a training course, and two of them I didn't. That was my choice, absolutely my choice. And for the state to ask the school districts to take this burden on again, I'm glad that the bill does not call for that. But, again, with a large family and so on, and I know the fee runs all the way from 85 to 125. I think we did get it down to 65 dollars in Education Committee. But I'm not so sure that this isn't a bill that do good and sounds good, but the ultimate answer may not be exactly what we're looking for. One other thing I know that most of you are aware, which does help, families that have students that take a safety course usually get 10, 11, 12 percent reduction in their automobile insurance policy. So I'll say if it costs \$600, in essence that family is getting the money back for the cost of the course in the saving in their family car and their insurance policy. So that was one of the other reasons that we felt in Education Committee or so on that we should not be funding it, because in essence the families themselves were getting that cost back off of their education. I just wanted to point it out to you that it's a bill that I still have great reservations. I'm not saying the course is not good, or it doesn't help, but I'm not sure we're going down the right road. But that's why the Education Committee had problems with this bill.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Nelson. Senator Robinson, do you wish to speak on the amendments?

SENATOR ROBINSON: Madam President, members of the body, I have a question for Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yes.

SENATOR ROBINSON: Do you have any exact figures on what a family saves by having a student go through the driver education