

of major crimes, but if some individual who doesn't have a lot of resources, doesn't have any influence, we're going to assign some young kid right out of law school to be that individual's public defender. Many, many inequities here. I don't think that we really can afford it. I think that there might come a way which it can be done. There are some people...I know all this language here provides for gifts, right-of-ways, bequests, et cetera. I don't know that very many have ever come our way in this kind of a situation. Once we enhance upon this kind of project, it usually then becomes a full-fledged state responsibility. I do not know if the Game and Parks has come before the budget committee and asked for money to purchase this kind of right-of-way. I would guess, if they wanted to,...

SPEAKER BAACK: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...they could do so. And there would be a reasonable reason to believe that they might be successful. I, again, think that at this time I will probably vote to indefinitely postpone LB 714.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Abboud.

SENATOR ABOUD: Mr. President, colleagues, I'll just take a short time here on the motion. I was going to say a couple of words about these types of trails and how they've worked in urban areas. We have one in the City of Omaha and it runs along the Papic Creek bed, up on top of the bed, and runs underneath bridges, and I wasn't quite sure what the response would be from people when the trail was put in. There was a concern among some people that it would be a place where kids would go and hang out, or cause problems, an area where you might have some vandalism. But it's been an overwhelming...it's been overwhelmingly successful in the City of Omaha in regard to the use that they've seen along the trail, as well as the lack of vandalism, the lack of problems along that trail area. People use it for bicycling, they use it for jogging, roller skating, you name it, they use it. And the trail is very nice. It has a nice asphalt cover, so it can be used for a number of different activities. Really haven't heard anybody that's had any problems with that trail site. And I think that the two different issues that we're really dealing with here is, one, that the...well, actually three. One is cost, which is a rather small amount of money. The second is the actual...what is the best possible use for this property. And it's been noted