

state government is April 1, 1992, when those people come in, and if they don't have a system that is viable that they can't take their license, they don't pay an extra \$20, they lose their profession, their job because they lose their right to drive. That is confidence in state government. There is a mandated program they have got to take care of and we don't provide the means to do it. That isn't confidence, that is letting them down. Senator Moore has got a problem in appropriations, and that is that they need more money to carry out this program, more money than you and I probably would like to have, but that is the cost of carrying out the program. And we can do one of two things, we can either increase the fees or we can bring an amendment in here for General Fund monies, and that is the option we had. Senator Moore could probably still do that. I don't think he is going to find that a particularly attractive thing to do. So confidence in state government, for me, isn't a matter of changing and saving \$20. It is keeping somebody's license and having enough money in this program to make it run. I don't like the fact I have to do those sorts of things. I don't like the fact that I am going to have to tell all those commercial truck drivers they have got to get a license, but you owe it to them to have a system that they can do it, and if it comes down to balancing saving \$20 versus saving their driver's license, I guess I will come down on the side of the driver's license. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Moore, followed by Senator Nelson.

SENATOR MOORE: I need to reiterate for the body that it is not like the CDL license's examination is done totally separate from everybody else. We are talking about the total driver's license examination program in the State of Nebraska, including the driver's licenses that all of us take with the exception of Senator Beyer, and I think Senator Wehrbein has a CDL license, and things like that. Everyone could possibly be affected by what we do here. That was the Appropriations Committee's concern is that we definitely need, because of this tremendous impact, probably between January and April of next year, there is some additional funds going to be needed and, obviously, Senator Lamb certainly has the possibility to file an amendment to put General Funds in this program. And if he gets 25 votes for that, that would be proper, but I guess my argument is once again you look at the fees, and if more money is needed, it is not unreasonable to try and attain that money through the entity