

and I think, Senator Horgan and Senator Crosby and Senator Kristensen and Senator Bohlke, I don't disagree that driver's education is important and I don't disagree that before someone drives a motor vehicle on an interstate or on a neighborhood street, for that matter, driver's education is something they ought to do. But if it's a policy in the State of Nebraska to encourage that, why do you go about the left-handed approach, the back-door approach, on items like that? You know, I have some amendments, the first amendment I have filed is one that basically doesn't...returns back to the laws the way they were in the mid-eighties where the state says, yes, it's a good idea to take driver's education and it's such a good idea we're willing to put our money where our mouth is and pay for it with \$80 per student that completes the course, doesn't make it mandatory at all. If you want to make it mandatory and if you agree with the thought that schools should be doing it, we don't want to pay for it, then what you ought to do is make it mandatory. But I think it doesn't make a whole lot of sense to say it's important but it's not important enough to pay for it, it's not important enough to require it, we're just going to...the only person we're going to penalize is, yes, those few kids that maybe can't afford the 100, \$150 to take the driver's education course, or their parents don't want them to drive. Those are the kids that are going to be penalized. I think if it's something that you agree driver's education is something, it's a policy of the state and I think it's important to understand that, you know, if there is one thing that every student that comes out of high school is going to do while they're in high school or afterwards, they are going to drive a car probably. I mean, probably 98 percent of them do and if that's something whether you want to call it vocational education or real life training, whatever you want to call it, that's something schools probably ought to teach and if you want to do that, then you ought to pay for it. But the manner in which the Transportation Committee has decided to solve this, and I appreciate the fact, obviously, I appreciate the fact that they are so fiscally conscious as to not have an impact on us, but nevertheless, if it's something you want to do, you ought to be willing to pay for it. Unless you're willing to pay for it, I think you ought to indefinitely postpone LB 336.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I also support the kill motion because, mainly because I do have