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SENATOR MORRISSEY: I don't know that I could...I guess if we need...finally come to the realization that if your bill is so weak that you have to change the Constitution to make it work, that we could ultimately amend 1063. But I really would be uncomfortable killing 1120. I think there are better ways. And I really haven't talked to Senator Hall about this, but again bottom line, to get there from here takes taking away the uniformity clause, the fairness clause in the Constitution, then we're not very smart. I'm glad that people in the past didn't say, well, to get to the moon we're going to have to repeal the law of gravity because it just can't be done. I would oppose the IPP of 1120 until I hear a good reason why, I guess, and urge the members to think of a better way than the drastic step we're trying to take to solve this problem.

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

SENATOR MOORE: We can go to the moon and we can repeal the law of gravity, Senator Morrissey, I enjoyed that. (Laugh.) I rise to oppose the kill motion, though I would agree maybe the political reality of the sense is that at least for the time being, as we stand today, that would be the prudent thing to do. I still think 1120 is the proper policy, and for that reason I would rise to oppose the IPP motion.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: Call the question.

SPEAKER BAACK: There hasn't been sufficient debate. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Thank you, Mr. President, I appreciate that. It's amazing to me, I had to take a little trip this noon, drove through the streets of Lincoln. You couldn't hardly get around the City of Lincoln. One of the reasons why the education costs so much, I'm sure, is because most of the school buses in the State of Nebraska are concentrated in this city today, all at taxpayer expense. Drives up the cost of education considerably my superintendents tell me. The point I want to make is this, if you go to any of those games today you'll probably find a pretty good cross section of Nebraskans. You'll find hundreds, if not thousands, of my farmer friends out there with their nose up against the wire watching those games. And I guess there's nothing wrong with that. I'm looking up here in the balcony, we