

it's more manageable by all of us, but by us adopting the amendment to 1135 I think it gives us a logical vehicle to make those refunds. I think it's something that the State of Nebraska has seen as its obligation from the beginning when we made the decision to assist the subdivisions on the railroad decision and then on the initial pipeline decision. Obviously we're talking about way more dollars. If you look at the '89 figures that are mandated by the courts you're talking approximately \$33 million that the local subdivisions are going to have to pay back. If you take the Board of Equalization adjustment figure on 1990, you talk approximately another \$7 million so we're talking roughly \$40 million. This, the '90 decision, is back in court right now. The centrally assessed taxpayers obviously would disagree with the Board of Equalization decision. At this point they are asking for all their money, but we're going to continue to negotiate with the centrally assessed taxpayers. I'm still hopeful that the governor is going to be able to come up with a settlement with these taxpayers that is going to be good for them and good for the State of Nebraska and what I'm doing is offering you a simple amendment that has a very complex philosophical background and I'm asking the local subdivisions through the increase in fees that are paid under this bill to use those dollars to make the refunds and not to have to go to the real property base, and I'd like to have your support for this amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Byars. I'll now recognize senators wishing to speak to the Byars amendment. Senator Morrissey, followed by Senators Lamb, Schellpeper, Chambers and Hall.

SENATOR MORRISSEY: Thank you, Madam President and members. Senator Byars kind of threw me a curve ball. I was going to get up and speak against the bill and now he's trying to do something with the bill that I want to do. So I will have to think about that I guess. The bill, I wasn't too comfortable with because as I look in my specific cars that I own which aren't new and I wish I could buy a new one. I've been trying to find a way to make vehicles more affordable, more reality based and as Senator Chambers said, this is a bill for car dealers. Well, I don't mind that if it's fair and will allow us to buy a tool and that's what a car is that we need to do our work. The shifts shown on the more expensive cars did bother me and as I since have listened to Senator Hall trying to explain