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I attempt to amend them. But Senator Schellpeper knows that I especially am opposed to raising money for the state patrol through fees on a bill designed to help the counties.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Any other discussion on this portion of the committee amendments? Seeing none, Senator Kristensen, do you wish to close?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members, I think it's...there is part of the discussion here this afternoon that gets lost and just before I close and we vote and go on to something else I want to try to straighten it out a little. There were comments made that we could just go make General Fund appropriations and pay for some of these things. You need to understand the Department of Motor Vehicles in their funding approach receives most of their money through fees. Those fees are put into the General Fund, then there is appropriations made back out to them. And so in terms of most of the Department of Motor Vehicle, department, is done by fees. So it's not a matter of we're going to foist this all on people. That's what has been keeping this department alive for the number of years. You now have increased cost. Where do you go? Do you go to the Appropriations Committee and ask for more assistance or do you follow what has been done in the past and that is to generate the fees. The fees go into the General Fund and then the appropriations are made. I mean it's a matter of taking and directing that money, but the generation of the fees are primarily done just that way, through fees. With that point, I'm sure on Select File there's some things, maybe there is some other amendments that people want to put on at this point, but I would urge the adoption of the second half of these committee amendments which are the county end fees. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: You have heard the closing on this portion of the committee amendments. We will now vote on this portion. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the final portion of the committee amendments. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 1 nay, Mr. President, on adoption of the second portion of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER BAACK: The second portion of the committee amendments is adopted. We will now go to the bill as amended. Senator Schellpeper.