

think, of 31 at that time that I withdrew this amendment and refiled it on Select File. What this amendment does is strikes from the bill, as it currently exists, the requirement for proof of insurance or proof of financial liability at the time of registration. This is...the bill is a good bill, with or without this amendment. I think without that provision, I think it's a better bill without it. On page 21 of the E & R version it reflects what is contained in LB 37 relative to what happens at the time of registration in the event that LB 37 becomes law. It says, the certificate of registration shall include a statement in bold face print that an automobile liability policy or proof of financial responsibility is required in Nebraska. And by paying the required registration fees, every person who appears on the title certifies that they will maintain current and effective automobile liability policy or proof of financial responsibility. What that means is that we would now have an effective mandated insurance in place at the time of the registration of a vehicle that is subject to a Class III misdemeanor, which is up to a \$500 fine if it is found that you falsely certified that you did not have insurance. The certificate of insurance or statement of insurance, as it currently exists, was in fact designed to do that, but it had so many loop holes that it was fairly easily circumvented. The Transportation Committee was unable to find resolution to this problem at the time the bill was being advanced, so the committee amendment to LB 37 reinstated the requirement for proof of financial responsibility at the time of registration of a motor vehicle. It is my opinion that we don't need this at this time, after 37 is enacted, because we will have requirements in place that mandate with penalty that all vehicles that are registered in the State of Nebraska must have and must have at all times while they're operated on the roads minimal compliance with our automobile liability insurance laws. The question for the Legislature then becomes, with this amendment, is, do we want to keep the proof of insurance at the time of registration or is it no longer needed? I drafted the bill with this provision, fundamentally at the request of those people who have to deal with the public in registering motor vehicles. And the discomfort level after some five years of the numerous, numerous people who come to register a vehicle and do not have with them the current proof of financial responsibility, which creates another set of problems. For those people who mail in their registration, it requires them to mail with that registration the proof of insurance. This is current law. If this section is taken from 37 as it currently