

temporary or permanent, any amount to the clerk of the district court for the support of a minor child, the court in enforcing its support order may use contempt powers. Such contempt powers include ordering the impoundment of a motor vehicles operator's license as specified by the court and ordering that the license holder not operate a motor vehicle during the period of impoundment. It simply states, that the abstract of the court records will be sent to the Department of Motor Vehicles. It's a simple procedure, it involves very little paperwork, and I think it gets to the heart of what we're trying to do here without creating more than we need to at this time. It also says,...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR WITEK: ...such contempt powers include ordering the impoundment of a motor vehicle, as specified, and ordering the license holder not operate a motor vehicle during the period of impoundment for visitation, and that that also will be sent to the DMV. So it's a simple amendment, I think, that still addresses what we're discussing here. And I would hope that you would give this some consideration before you decide to do something as bureaucratic and inflexible as 592. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Witek. Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President and Mr. President and members of the body. I have had objections to this legislation since it first came here. I have great objections to taking licenses away from professional people. This amendment of Senator Witek's provides me with an alternative to perhaps support the bill, if it's adopted, because it does limit impoundment of licenses...those of drivers, drivers' licenses. I have lots of problems with what's happening with child support and people not paying it. I have even greater problems right now with visitation rights if noncustodial parents have been denied. And I still believe that the courts in Nebraska today, that the judiciary has the ability to provide good visitation rights and to provide for child payment. I think they have that ability, I think it's within our courts right now. I even find it unnecessary to do the whole legislation in the first place. If the courts will do what they're allowed to do now, I think that they can take care of these problems. So I'm going to support Senator Witek's amendment and ask that you would, too,