

amendment, but it is a policy choice of do you want to tell the counties what the speed is going to be on their, basically, the paved roads. And I think it's probably correctly drafted to call them dustless highways. With that, if you put so much gravel on there that there isn't any dust, that's not our intent as well. But, quite frankly, you're talking about paved county roads, and I would support the Schrock amendment. Thank you, Madam President.

SENATOR CROSBY PRESIDING

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Madam President and members, I also rise, like Senator Kristensen, to support the Schrock amendment. The county roads, as we all know, were added. The hot mix, the cold mix situation, many roads currently are constructed of the cold mix. The cold mix may consist of one inch, one inch of hard surfacing. And the people driving these don't realize a hot mix from a cold mix road. The narrowness, many counties can't afford to go with the federal guidelines. When you get matching funds you have to go to the six-foot shoulder. Many counties opted not to do that. You have the straight off, you know, you're down an embankment 20, 30 feet. I mean there's just different situations for us for different counties. So if you raised it on one county road it may be adequate. The next county road would not be adequate to drive the 60 miles per hour. So I think in all "safetyness", for the people involved, it would be best to keep this at a 55 mile per hour speed limit and save the commissioners from having to go through the process of going out and evaluating and have a different speed limit, this stretch of highway might be 60 the next stretch might be 55. If they know all county roads are 55, the hard-surface roads, it would be no, no other choice but to drive the 55 miles per hour. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Janssen.

SENATOR JANSSEN: Thank you, Madam President and members of the body. Right now counties, county roads, any paving that is done by a county do have to follow certain criteria that are set out by the federal government because of, because of the use of federal funds. They have to be so thick and so wide and one