

this summer for the Education Committee in interim studies. We took the old scenic route, two-lane highway from Grand Island up to Crawford, 500 miles and, as a joke, kept track of the number of vehicles we met or passed. Interesting, that also runs along the Union Pacific coal line. We passed or met 14 cars in 500 miles, and we didn't count cities or communities so we counted the open road. We passed 48 coal trains, 3 times more than the cars we met, and I would argue on that stretch of the highway I think 65 is probably a pretty reasonable speed to drive. Three hours of time without radio, cell phone doesn't work, it's beautiful country but there are I think parts of the state where 65 on those two-lane highways with very little traffic also makes some sense. Traffic counts are probably as important as two lanes, four lanes a divided highway. I would ask the body to vote to reconsider. Certainly everyone has the right to vote yes or no on the amendment itself. I offered it, as I said, to have an opportunity myself and for a number of other people who were not here last week on this motion or on this amendment to cast a vote, and I appreciate all of the debate on both sides of the issue. Thank you.

**PRESIDENT ROBAK:** Thank you, Senator McKenzie. The question before you is the motion to reconsider the Wickersham amendment to LB 901. All those in favor of the motion to reconsider vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Senator McKenzie.

**SENATOR MCKENZIE:** We may as well go ahead and have a call of the house and a roll call vote.

**PRESIDENT ROBAK:** Thank you, Senator. There's been a request for a call of the house. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

**CLERK:** 23 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the motion to place the house under call.

**PRESIDENT ROBAK:** The house is under call. Will senators please return to their seats. Will all unauthorized personnel please leave the floor. The house is under call. Senators, please check in. Senator Bromm, Senator Jensen, will you check in, please. Senator Witek, Senator Pirsch, Senator Wehrbein, will you check in. Senator Schimek, Senator Matzke, Senator Brown and Senator Wesely. We're waiting for Senators Witek, Schimek and Brown. We're waiting for Senator Witek. The question