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those things that we have said that we expect them to use it for. We gave additional state monies and state aid to counties after 1114 and now we're giving them additional monies once again with the expectation that they would use it for those subdivisions that are no longer able to assess as much or getting any of the automobile tax in. And I think we need some assurances that that's what's going to happen. And in the case of Douglas County and the city of Omaha, those services are being funded primarily by the city and that's why this amendment is so necessary. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Brown. Senator Redfield, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you. I would tell you that across the state the average city allocation currently is just under 12 percent. For most cities the new formula will be a significant increase in their income from auto vehicle taxes. For the city of Omaha, the city of Ralston and some of the other municipalities in Douglas County it is, in fact, the opposite. It is a decrease in their income from auto vehicle taxes. Therefore, for them, we're not talking about a windfall, although the county in Douglas would certainly receive a windfall if this amendment is not approved. That is why I think it's extremely important that we recognize the diversity of our state, the fact that we do have different needs, that one size does not always fit all in this state, and I would ask you carefully to consider approving this amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Redfield. The question before us is AM0571 to LB 142. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Senator Redfield.

SENATOR REDFIELD: (Microphone not activated immediately.) ...you call the house, please.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you. We have a...question before us is, should the house go under call? All those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Please record.

ASSISTANT CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays to go under call,
Mr. President.