

TRANSCRIPT PREPARED BY THE CLERK OF THE LEGISLATURE
Transcriber's Office

April 19, 1999 LB 637

speed limits or do whatever to our speed limits, are not federal monies that come from some place else. They are monies that come from the state of Nebraska in the first place. And I think we ought to be a little upset with the idea that we are being told we have your money now and we're not going to give it back to you unless you do what we say you ought to do. I don't think it's appropriate and I don't think it particularly is appropriate for the state of Nebraska in this instance. Because, again, what we are being told is other states are doing a terrible job of collecting their child support so, therefore, we're going to sanction you unless you do a better job of collecting your child support. (cough) Excuse me. And then, to defy all logic, we are threatened further beyond the sanction of, excuse me, \$15 million, is because we feel...the federal government feels so strongly about taking care of...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR KIEL: ...poor women and children that if you don't do what we say we're going to...we want you to do we're going to really harm your TANF funds. In effect, what they are saying is the money that we give to you to aid poor families, we're really going to hammer you and we're going to take away your money so that we really hurt poor families additionally. It doesn't make sense to do that and I don't think it necessarily makes sense to do this particular bill either. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Kiel. Further discussion, Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I would waive.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Beutler waives off. Senator Bromm, on the bracket motion to LB 637.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Brown, would Senator Brown yield to a question or two?

SENATOR BROWN: Yes.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you. Senator Brown, we've alluded several times today to the impact on the IV-A program, which is the ADC