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it says \$30,000. To me, it's more revenue-neutral than that, but we are lowering the fees on those low-cost vehicles, the type that most of us are probably driving, with what we get paid to work here. And anything that's in that value of up to \$9,999 is going to have a different fee structure, and Senator Chambers' amendment, which was filed to the green copy, which we replaced with another amendment, actually lowers that some more. So I think that's only fair and just that those low-cost vehicles, the fees should not be assessed as though they were worth up to \$9,999. As I said, it also moves motorcycles into this chart, where it had been a separate chart. It puts the same fees on motorcycles. You'd be surprised how many motorcycles are out there that are worth \$30,000. There are a lot of them. So we've moved that, to clean the statutes up, into the same fee schedule as automobiles. And I think that's the financial part of it. Like I said, some of it is due to recodification of the statutes that we did last year in LB 274. And I'd be glad to answer any questions. The summary, though, would be, increases the fees on those vehicles worth over \$78,000; lowers the fees on vehicles worth less than \$10,000. Be glad to answer any questions. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Mr. Clerk, motion on the desk.

CLERK: Senator Baker would move to amend his amendment with FA381, Senator. (Legislative Journal page 540.)

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Baker, to open on FA381 to AM1859.

SENATOR BAKER: And that is the amendment that Senator Chambers had originally filed. It was to the green copy. FA381 lowers those fees additionally down here, and I have to find a copy, if Senator Chambers may want to help me out on this one. It lowers the fees on the \$150 to \$140, and the \$125 to \$100 and so on down the list, and it provides a little more tax relief to those individuals licensing vehicles that are costing less than \$10,000, and I support the amendment that Senator Chambers had filed. We refiled it so that it did apply to the AM1859. And there again, I'd be glad to answer any questions. It's tax relief for the lowest-end cost vehicles that people are driving out there, and it needs to be done. Like I said, this was a