

is significant. I would certainly echo what Senator Kristensen has said about the fact that people get into this situation by their own choices sometimes and by own mistakes, the \$100 fee is something everybody is aware of. If they have lost their driving privilege, that is what it cost to get it back. And with that, I certainly strongly endorse the committee amendment and, primarily, because of the 650,000 price tag that it carries.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President...Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, Senator Robak got some figures on the sale of those plates we had. This is why I'm wondering about the information we're getting. We had been told that when the price went up the sales of these plates went down. But according to these figures which she got from the department out there, the number of plates that were sold have gone...has gone steadily up and they're selling more in 1992 than they were in 1985. In 1985, they sold 9,331, I believe is the number. In 1992, they sold 15,800. So maybe some people thought they sold 15,000 at first and were selling 9,000 now, but each year on this sheet the number they sold has gone up. And I think that that would indicate that we could have done something different from what we did. I'm not going to reargue that issue. It just makes me wonder about the kind of information we're getting on a number of these propositions because they're based on guesses and speculation. What Senator Kristensen told you is not a justification to double the fee for reinstating your license. If you got a ticket in some other state that would have had some impact in Nebraska, there are four provisions in this bill which tell how you can lose your license and have to have it reinstated, then your license is revoked and you have to pay the \$100 in Nebraska if this amendment passes to get it reinstated instead of the 50. It can be revoked for not obeying the command of a citation and, in addition to whatever fine you pay for that, you have to pay an additional \$100 to get your license reinstated. If you look at this bill, you will see that the entire amount of this increase goes to the General Fund, not to the Department of Motor Vehicles. That's on page 2 of the committee amendment. The new language in lines 16 through 18 says the State Treasurer shall credit \$50 of each fee to the General Fund and \$50 of each fee would go to the Department of Motor Vehicles Cash Fund. So that means this is supposed to be a revenue generator for the General Fund. It's not funding any