

Hall, do you wish to speak to the Chambers amendment?

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President and members. I don't know if I rise in support of Senator Chambers' amendment or not. As I understand it, Senator Chambers, you would take...if you would respond, this to a designated period of ten years, is that correct?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR HALL: And the way Senator Landis's proposal is drafted it would allow for the additional one cent for Lincoln as long as the state did not need that tax base.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right, and my amendment says whichever contingency occurred first.

SENATOR HALL: Okay, thank you very much. Part of me wants to rise in support of Senator Landis's amendment because I would think that the more baggage the merrier for LB 1087. The other part of me says, no, that to compound the problem is not a good proposal. And I don't blame Senator Landis for bringing this at all just as I don't blame Senator Ashford for bringing it. Senator Landis brings it to improve the streets. Senator Ashford brings his to improve the Civic Auditorium. The Civic Auditorium, I was reading the paper, yesterday's paper, and I skipped over the editorial page and I went right to the entertainment section. And in the entertainment section there was an advertisement for the Shrine Circus, and the Shrine Circus was going to come to Omaha and they were talking about the new production that was going to feature the wild cats, the tigers, it was a big production. And I thought to myself, well, what...is that really what the civic auditorium has become good for? It is basically a barn and it has become...what walks through the auditorium? Well, you have elephants and elephant toes and you have camels and you have camel toes, and you have tigers and you have tiger toes, and then Senator Landis brings in a proposal for streets. And from time to time one wonders just what we are dealing with here. Are we just really looking for a place in Omaha so that the camel toes can wander and so the streets can be improved in terms of the roads? And we're going to take the state tax base in order to do that. So we're going to have a nicer place in which to hold the circus. We're going to have a nicer place in which...or nicer streets on which to drive, probably all of them are good proposals. In their own