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PRESIDENT: Senator Simpson.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I guess since this is my bill that I should probably say something and I'm not sure quite what to say. We have a division now in wanting to put it back to 30 years instead of 25. I spent an entire evening with the officers of these clubs from all over Eastern Nebraska and I listened to them argue all the way from 20, 25, 30, 35 and 40 years to go into this bill. After 11:00 sometime I got tired of listening to them argue so I got up and stopped them for just a minute and said I have some other things to do, like sleeping, etc., so I'm going to go home and then when you come to some kind of an accord let me know and we'll put the bill in. This happened maybe a month before the session. They did come to an accord, but they still argued to an extent and individual members will on what is proper. I think the important part of this is not the amount of years of age of the car, but the affidavit that they must sign along with this as to the use of the vehicle. I would hope under this that there may be some newer vehicles that they shall be using under this, but not as regular driven vehicles. The problem that I see today that encouraged this bill and could make part of this argument is to over into the parking lot today or maybe down the East side here on the street and find some of these cars that are driven here by state employees daily to the Capitol to work. It is a second car for them and they're just getting by cheap. So I think the argument . . . you can go any way you want to on the 25 or 30 and it's not going to affect me, but the fact that they're not going to drive them back and forth to work every day would be important.

PRESIDENT: Senator Stoney.

SENATOR STONEY: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, a question of Senator Kremer. For my information, Senator Kremer, the individuals that expressed opposition to this particular bill, could you give me some idea what some of the points were that they stressed please.

SENATOR KREMER: I'd have to go back, Senator Stoney, to the tape or to the transcription of the tape to give you an accurate answer. I assume that they were people that actually were using their automobiles to some extent, at least for business purposes.

SENATOR STONEY: Well I know that I have a constituent who was interested in this particular bill. As I understand it, they were opposed to increasing the years from 20 to 30. Because there are number of cars that are classic cars that can be remodeled and taken care of that would no longer classify.

SENATOR KREMER: Are you making a statement or asking a question?

SENATOR STONEY: Well I'm making that statement. I'm wondering, were these people then in favor of changing it to 25 years?