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PRESIDENT: Are you ready for the question? The question is, shall committee amendments to LB 125 be adopted. Record your vote. Record Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 29 ayes, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The amendments are adopted. Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Mr. President, I move LB 125 be advanced to E & R initial, as amended. The purpose of the bill is to provide that Douglas County only, as it restricts this to counties of 200,000 population and for example if other counties wanted to be included we have no objections to their including themselves, it's just that since it was a bill requested by Douglas County we limited it to Douglas County. It provides that Douglas County, through their county board, can dispose of the small pieces of real estate that they own along such things as right-of-ways, their small parcels of ground that the county has no use for right now. In order to dispose of the piece of real estate the county has to put it to a vote of the people at the present time. We want to be able to get rid of these 650 parcels of land. With the committee amendment adopted, there is adequate protection, I see no way to object to it, we would get this land put back on the tax roles being used by people by adjoining property, who would be the principal market for these pieces of land. I move the bill be advanced.

PRESIDENT: Senator Dickinson

SENATOR DICKINSON: Mr. Speaker, a minor question of Senator Goodrich please.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes.

SENATOR DICKINSON: I don't quite understand the implication if there is any on line 14 and 15 on page 3, where it says, "at fair market value regardless of the assessed value". What are we talking . . . why are these words in there?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Look at the committee amendment. It says on page 3, line 12, after Section 2 insert, etc., what it boils down to is that's the part that the committee worked over. They set up the procedure.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Question of Senator Goodrich please.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes.

SENATOR BARNETT: Senator Goodrich, I think you've got a bill here that needs to be in every county. I guess my question is how come you don't want to include everybody? I think Lancaster County would also like to be in this and I also think some of the other counties around the state have offered a desire to be in this. What would we have to do to change that?

SENATOR GOODRICH: What we'd . . . I have no objection, Senator Barnett, to say Lancaster County or any other county wanting to be in it. I think frankly that it's a good idea for all counties to be able to do. For example if you . . . since we don't represent Lancaster County primarily we leave that up to you fellows. Rather than to include Lancaster County we just limited it to Dougals County. For example, all we have to do is amend the bill to say instead of counties of 200,000, on page 2, line 23 and 24 there, it