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SENATOR SCHMIT: Would you repeat the question, Senator Nore, I'm sorry.

SENATOR NORE: For instance in one of these areas where they charge for admittance, for instance, if someone is going to have a family reunion there and they have relatives and friends from other states and far and near, are they going to have all when you send them invitations warn them that they must buy a permit in order to come.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, Senator, they would have to have a daily admittance sticker, then. It would be...it would not be the \$5.00 sticker. It would be the overnight sticker or the daily sticker.

SENATOR NORE: Then the family picnics would be out then, wouldn't it. The family anniversaries and things that we might celebrate in the parks.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Well, if they would meet there, Senator, you know. If you get a family of my size together, it's probably well worth it to get them out of the house and into the park.

SENATOR NORE: OK. That's not a very good answer but it's all right.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Syas, then Skarda, then Kelly. The question was asked...

SENATOR SYAS: Well, I heard this bill. I didn't get in on the...because I had to go to Senator Schmit's committee, I did not hear the...I was not present for the Executive meeting. However, my impression of the bill is that the \$5.00 fee for campers, that they will still have to pay to camp overnight. Yes. If you do it that way and you make the \$5.00 fee, that they no longer have to pay to camp, you've, really by the \$5.00 fee, cost the state money. The person, the camper, that goes quite often would on a \$1.50 a night, would pay a whole lot more money than the \$5.00 fee would be in a year. In other words, you are getting... the camper is getting a reduction, and I asked that question in Committee of the campers at the time and they said their Association expects to pay the...continue to pay the camping fees. Now if you don't do that, there is no use, in my way of looking, in asking the \$5.00 because what you have done with the \$5.00, you've given the campers a reduction a year. In fact, you've shifted it on...the burden on to the general public and taken it off the campers who are the primary people that are pushing the bill. Now, I might say further while I am on my feet. I know you adopted the amendment of Senator Carstens but I think you, in reality, you killed the bill. You killed the bill with the Carstens' amendment the way it's written because you've made concessionaires, wherever they are. Those parks now or areas will not have the fee and those are the ones that generally have the fee. So, you've, probably, killed the bill not knowing it.

SPEAKER: Senator Carstens.

SENATOR CARSTENS: I think I may suggest, Mr. President, that we are not talking to the amendment, we are talking to the bill. I would suggest to the chair that we stay with the amendment and then argue the bill later, sir.

SPEAKER: OK. Senator Skarda.

SENATOR SKARDA: Mr. President, members, my concern is with this put on this type of a basis, now if I go in as an individual into the park with a \$5,00 fee, do I have to pay the additional charge or is this given to me free if I have a trailer. I mean, you are putting a fellow that goes in there as a user of the park in the same category as you are with whoever may pull the trailer in to do the camping. This is