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what is bothersome to me. At least, this is what Senator Schmit told me. This is what your intent of the bill is and what it does.

SPEAKER: Senator Skarda, are you asking Senator Schmit a question?

SENATOR SKARDA: That's correct.

SPEAKER: Will you yield, Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Senator Skarda, you are correct. The \$5.00 fee permits you to have access to the park. If you choose even to camp, there could be another camping fee imposed in addition to the parking fee.

SENATOR SKARDA: One more question, then. How much is the camping fee on a daily bases or a weekly bases or how much is it intended to be? A day? That convinced me.

SPEAKER: Senator Kelly has the floor next, then Senator Burbach.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, LB 255 is strictly a mechanism to clean up our parks, make them more acceptable to the people that are using them. The Committee Hearing was filled with people who use the parks requesting the permission to pay to the Game and Parks Commission via this fee so that we could have better maintenance, improvements, and administration of our parks. That's all it does. Now if you go in the park, the \$5.00 or the \$1.00 fee does not entitle you to free ice cream or free horseback rides or free gasoline or free anything else. It's just your contribution as a user of that park to make the park better and cleaner and more enjoyable for you, who are a fee payer and a park user. It does nothing more than that. The Carsten amendment takes leased property which in a business sense is private property out of the fee paying areas, and that's all 255 does.

SPEAKER: Senator Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: Senator Kelly just about said most of the things that I was going to say in response to a question that Senator Fred Carstens had. Section 4 will spell that out very clearly. "A Permit shall entitle a permitted vehicle access to any permit area and no other right or privilege shall be conveyed. A permit shall not entitle the holder or any occupant of the permitted vehicle to any service, facility, or activity for which a separate fee is imposed." I think that we must realize at this time we have a \$5.00 permit and then for whatever fees may be charged where there is a pad to camp...to park a camper or tent, or there may be additional expenses for the electricity used. So, I think this should clear up this portion of that issue.

SPEAKER: The chair next recognizes Senator Schmit. Still speaking on the second Cal Carsten amendment.

SENATOR SCHMIT: I believe that Senator Burbach has explained Section 4 and I don't need to speak, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Senator Mahoney in the chamber? Wished to be recognized on this amendment? Very good. Senator Keyes, did you wish to be recognized? We are still speaking on the Carsten amendment.

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