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SENATOR BARNETT: Right.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Now what this boils down to is that right turns in Omaha, for example, you can turn right on any signal, any red signal except where a sign is placed on the intersection prohibiting right turn on a red signal. That is the way I would like to see it happen. Now in Lincoln it's just the opposite. In Lincoln you can turn right on a red signal if there is a sign permitting it. Now I would suggest that we adopt, in fact I'll move the adoption of the amendment that Wally has written up already--Wally, would you see to it--Wally, would you see to it that that gets to the desk? I would move the adoption of that amendment which in essence says you can turn right on any red signal except where the intersection is posted prohibiting right turn on red. I move the adoption of that amendment.

SPEAKER: Will the Clerk read the amendment, please?

CLERK: The amendment then I have is on page 33, line 14 strike "when" and insert "except where", strike "permitting" and insert "prohibiting". Signed, I guess by Senator Goodrich now.

SPEAKER: Senator Kremer, did you wish to speak?

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to support the Goodrich amendment. I call your attention to the fact that California, I believe I'm right on this now, has had this type of rule and regulation in operation for what--25 years. It seems that California with the traffic they have is going to set the standard and I would, I would, it would be my opinion that the western states will follow California so if we do not adopt this amendment we will have to in the somewhat near future. What we're saying then is the Goodrich amendment is that you can make a right turn on a red light unless the sign prohibits it. Am I right, Senator Goodrich? That's what Omaha now has and the direct opposite of what Lincoln has.

SPEAKER: Senator Goodrich.

SENATOR GOODRICH: That's true. In Omaha you can turn right on any red signal unless there is a sign at the intersection prohibiting it.

SENATOR KREMER: And Mr. Goodrich, or Senator Goodrich, this is what your amendment does?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes.

SENATOR KREMER: And I call your attention to the fact that California now operates this way and probably will provide the leadership in the western states and make it uniform and easier.

SENATOR GOODRICH: As well as some of the other states that Senator Barnett was referring to.

SPEAKER: Senator Carpenter. Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President, I'd like to ask Senator Barnett if he'd yield to a question.

SENATOR BARNETT: I'd sure try.

SENATOR STAHMER: Senator Barnett, it would appear to me to be most economical and perhaps most feasible if at the majority of intersections a right turn would be permitted, if the opposite were true at the majority of intersections a right turn would not be permitted, perhaps the Lincoln plan would be better. But it would appear to me that probably the majority of intersections you wouldn't want to prohibit this and consequently