

taking away 10% of our highway construction funds. I wish that we would try to pass the bill on its merits rather than on the threat of action from Washington. If you will pay attention to the amendment that I offer for LB66, I have a copy of amendments and then following the two pages is what the bill will read if the amendments are adopted. Therefore I move that the amendments be adopted. The Pages are passing them out now Vince, they should be up there shortly.

PRESIDENT: It would be nice to have one.

SENATOR BARNETT: I will explain them Vince, instead of reading them or whatever you would like to do.

CLERK: It doesn't change the bill that much.

SENATOR BARNETT: I might add that the amendments that I offer do not change the intent of the bill and do not change the bill. It is the same basic bill that we heard but we had to have some clarification with the Attorney General's office for the Director of Motor Vehicles, Mr. John Sullivan the representative of the pathologists Mr. Bob Chiparo and members of the highway group were in attendance at this meeting.

PRESIDENT: Senator What is your choice? Do you want the Clerk to read them or do you want to explain them.

SENATOR BARNETT: I can explain them, I think that it would be just as short. Lets save his voice for something else. In the first section of the bill it states that a coroners responsibility will be to see that a blood sample is taken for alcohol or drug amount in the blood stream within a certain number of hours after a fatal accident. The second section deals with the case of a driver who dies within four hours after being in a motor vehicle accident and of a pedestrian 16 years of age or older who die or who are hit by some vehicle, was hit by some vehicle and dies as a result of this accident. It states in here that the cause or the cost to have such tests made as are necessary to determine the presence and percentage concentration of alcohol therein. The third section says that any surviving driver or pedestrians 16 years of age or older who is involved in this accident where somebody is killed they would be requested to submit to this test. We are requesting it. It is strictly for statistical purposes only and I'll cover that in a few minutes as to why we want that. Section four, the Department of Health will be the ones doing the testing and they will offer the analysis of these blood tests or these or the results to the motor vehicle department for this statistical event. If you will notice in section 6 it says that no report or any statement contained therein submitted pursuant to this act or any part thereof shall be made available for any purpose in any trial. All we want it for is solely for record and for information for highway safety. But it also says that the reimbursement to the county for any expenses will be paid by the Motor Vehicle Department and they will also have a form that will accompany this piece of statistical information. I know that a lot of you have a lot of things to do but I think that this is a real important piece of legislation and I wish that you would pay attention to some of the things that we need to have in the way of highway safety. I told you the argument last year and I've used it again this year. People claim that

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