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for these folks who'll get these 10¢ cards, probably do what they do with the Food Stamp Program where they present there 1040 Federal Income Tax Sheet and see if they qualify. I think only those who have a need should have access to this.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak is Senator Clark. In case anybody is interested, this amendment is found on page 463 of the Journal.

SENATOR CLARK: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I don't know how much TV time is going to be allotted to this bill. It is non-controversial in its pure form. Of course, we do have it screwed up a little now. I want to explain to you what the original bill is. The original bill in its pure form merely says that all of the busses owned by the public subdivisions would not be under the jurisdiction of the Public Service Commission for regulation. Now why do we have the bill in the first place? The reason for it is we have these mini busses that was provided by grants of the Federal Government out to the public subdivisions such as Sidney or these other towns that have had these busses. They transport the elderly only and the handicapped. They have nothing to do with the public transportation, they have nothing to do with young people, and I'm surprised that so many people would get hot here and talk about this particular bill. Although everyone says I certainly don't want to talk against the old people. Well, this bill is designed only for that purpose. It has nothing to do with public transportation. Now you have a vonnotation that you're going to kill the bill if you put this kind of an amendment on it, I am afraid. And I am certainly not against old people, any more than anyone else. Even though I'm not running for election this time. The thing that I'm trying to say is that when you put this on here you can hear the conversation going on in the floor this morning that they now want us to subsidize with state money into the public transportation system if we reduce this bus fare from 35¢ to 10¢. Now I don't know if Senator Mahoney says if they are going to operate at 10:00 in the morning and get on this bus when the seats are already empty they are going to pick up additional people and maybe they wouldn't lose any money, I don't know that. I'm trying to do and I'm not against Senator Carpenter's amendment if it can do without getting mixed up with subsidizing the City of Omaha or Lincoln or anyone else. These mini busses do take care of the elderly only and the handicapped, and that's what the bill does. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak is Senator Fellman, then Syas, Whitney, Chambers, Cavanaugh, Moylan, and Frank Lewis. Senator Fellman.

SENATOR FELLMAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. I would like to add to what Senator Clark just spoke about. A though that I think should be mentioned this morning regarding this bill and that is the question of compassion for people. It seems to me we spend a lot of time in this Legislature very correctly dealing with the needs of people. We almost increased ADC and I think we should have done it. We have an outstanding record in the field of mental health for the retarded that has made Nebraska one of the finest, have one the finest programs in the nation, in the field of mentally retarded and aid to the mentally retarded. To insert into this debate and this discussion the idea that we are losing a sense of fiscal responsibility when we are helping people seems to me foolish. When we are, if we were to bankrupt this state treasury, if this was to be a massive amount of money, if there were to be limited goods, that if there were to be limited good that could come from this it might be one think to talk about fiscal responsibility by itself. But here we're