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elect a member to that school board, I voted for your bill, and so I am saying that if the duly elected representatives, such as City Council, refuse what I consider their duty to reduce transportation for elderly people then I think that this Legislature must step in, but I do not think that we should arbitrarily pick out a figure of 10 cents, and incidentally since you are all in favor of this 10 cents figure, how did you arrive at that? What about 9 cents, what about a nickel, what about 15? How come your judgment of 10 cents, can you justify that?

PRESIDENT: Senator Chambers do you care to respond?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes I would. I think that Senator Proud asked some very penetrating questions. But sometimes they are misdirected, but he is very sharp. Senator Proud here is what I say about the figure of 10 cents. The Legislature must make judgment, we have to decide on a figure, the aim is to reduce the fare, so as you say if a reduction is to occur it could have been any point below what the fare is currently. Ten cents was suggested by the one who offered the amendment, and since that is the amendment which is offered, it is the one which I will support. If the body would pass a measure which you suggest saying no fare at all, I would support it, but I don't think that they will pass it. And this one comment then I am going to sit down. You said that we ought not impose this price reduction on the City Council or on the city of Omaha, we ought to defer to the City Council and give them a chance to refuse. Yet, you offer an amendment which says that they will not pay anything and you are willing to force that on the cities if the body will accept it. So I think that you offered that amendment hoping that if it is put on the bill, it will kill the bill. That is what I think. So we see that Senator Proud is not interested in helping the bill but in killing it and if that is his intent, let us allow him to try and kill the bill by putting a kill motion on it. He offered his amendment in such a way that I am justified in saying that it is frivolous. We ought to immediately reject his amendment, deal with the serious one that was offered and look at its intent, accept that and advance the bill.

PRESIDENT: Next to speak on the Proud amendment is Senator Frank Lewis, then Skarda, Stahmer, Cavanaugh. We are speaking now only on the Proud amendment, let's try and confine our remarks to that if you would please?

SENATOR FRANK LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I think that the total relationship of the Proud amendment to a number of other bills that I should call your attention to. There are six bills on transportation which is probably one of the key issues facing this body. At least two of them are germane to the elderly. Senator Duis' 660, which is in the Public Health Committee, I believe that is your bill Senator Duis on transportation of the elderly. If that bill were passed, I believe that this amendment would also be germane to it. 631, Senator Maresh' bill establishes the powers to provide for a non-profit corporation system for transportation. 875 and 879 are bills by the Urban Affairs Committee that address themselves to finance and for transportation. 702, Senator Snyders' bill provides for method of financing for the Metropolitan Transit Authority. And now 762 relates to transportation. The problem that I think all of us face now is certainly the intent of most transportation systems is to accomplish what Senator Carpenter and Senator Mahoney want to do. To make transportation inexpensive for those that must ride, whether they be elderly, whether they be disadvantaged, whether they be handicapped. It also is designed to provide transportation by mass means other than by the method of single individuals

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