

Snyder's original amendment as to what section will be left in this bill. He has renumbered the sections under his amendment and now we say strike a particular section. Are we striking a section of his amendment or a section of the bill, because they no longer conform....the numbers are no longer the same.

SPEAKER: Are you asking a question of Senator Snyder.

SENATOR MURPHY: I'm asking what is left in the bill?

SENATOR SNYDER: Everything, if I may Mr. President, everything but the exception of the mandatory and the mandated reduced fares. I was a bit confused in my opening remarks I believe Senator Murphy. Section two is to the standing committee amendment. A standing committee amendment and it deals only with the....

SENATOR MURPHY: You are removing only section two of your amendment.

SENATOR SNYDER: The standing committee amendment, yes.

SENATOR MURPHY: Not of the bill, thank you.

SENATOR SNYDER: Yes, yes.

SPEAKER: The Senator from Alliance, Senator Stull.

SENATOR STULL: Mr. President, members of the legislature, it is my understanding that the people of Omaha right now the department of public works is having some trouble to keep up with the street repair and their street building program, and I don't want to get into this issue as to whether the people ride on a 10¢ bus fare or a 20¢ or whatever or free. But, I think that we should think about what this bill really does, and that is to divert part of the highway trust fund that the city receives from keeping up their streets, and putting it into mass transit. Now, I'm not opposed to mass transit but if they wanted to develop a mass transit system, I think that is another problem and that money should come from another source.

SPEAKER: The Senator from Chappell, Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, I would like to try and put this in proper perspective, as I read the bill, and Senator Mahoney feels that this is a mandatory three mil levy here, but there is not, there is no mandatory levy. It says

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a levy shall not exceed 3 mils, so therefore I feel that it is not mandatory. I want to speak in favor of Senator Snyder's amendment that there are times when we want for example to have a longer bus trip. In those cases we should permit local control. We should permit local control to have the figures that they want so far as the cost of the bus trip is concerned. I am definitely in favor of Senator Snyder's amendment.