

SENATOR DICKINSON: What is the city of Omaha, supposed to do about fixing streets if in fact they use the option here of diverting 20% of highway funds for mass transit.

SENATOR SNYDER: It is up to them, it is their priority. Whatever they determine, and that is why they have the city council.

SENATOR DICKINSON: What priorities do they have other than to come to the state for larger allocation from the

SENATOR SNYDER: I'm not about to attempt to answer for the Omaha City Council.

SENATOR DICKINSON: I'm just suggesting a that this will be the ultimate result that they then would have to go elsewhere which would have to require increased funds or take them away from somebody else to maintain their streets.

SENATOR SNYDER: Not necessarily. It is just that there are those of us that feel that a mass transit has not been a proper priority. That it is going to become an increasing concern, for your district as well as mine of course. Anything else Mr. Speaker?

SPEAKER: Senator Frank Lewis.

SENATOR F. LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I would like to speak against the kill motion and make a couple of observations. Well George I'm just trying to catch up with your abilities.

SENATOR PROUD: Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: I thought that he said that he wanted to argue against the kill motion. That is something that we did 10 minutes ago. All I want to say on this is that on the contracts with surrounding areas, that they do it by contracts, Senator Snyder is correct. I don't think that the contracts have ever been fair and with this additional, with this land on this area where Omaha will use 25% of their highway funds could use them and yet Bellvue wouldn't have to use any of theirs, Because.....I think that Senator F. Lewis is ridden on my back on this bill long enough.

SPEAKER: Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: I would like to ask the introducer of the bill two or three questions please. Does this bill pertain to the state of Nebraska as a whole?

SENATOR SNYDER: Yes sir.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Now this "A" bill which will be coming along later of \$250,000 will that have to be changed to \$600,000 as the result of the Barnett amendment?

SENATOR SNYDER: I would assume only from what I have ascertained this morning. That it might be subject to an amendment or further debate.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Another question is, is this going to apply then to mass transit transportation in cities like Ogallala, North Platte, Kearney, Hastings and so forth?

SENATOR SNYDER: Every city in Nebraska.