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the equipment to bounce. The ruts depths were slightly greater in the east bound. Differences considering the measurement error, differences considering the measurement error are hardly significant. The point is, Senator Kahle, the Department of Roads is saying that those trucks in their present condition are not damaging that highway unduly at all, and what the first class cities are asking for is three months for a twenty-five percent overload. I would read from the City of Grand Island, Department of Engineering, for the edification of Senator Keyes who is worried that Sarpy County is going to fall apart. The review inquiry has indicated that to best of our knowledge no damage is being done on the streets of the City of Grand Island or other public right of way as a result of the use of our local garbage haulers of trucks in excess of weights requirements as indicated by the State of Nebraska. Now certainly we must use our own judgment of what it is that would be damaging the highways. Certainly, Senator Keyes, you would listen to the City Highway Department. Certainly, Senator Keyes, you would listen to the Department of Roads and their evaluation of what is going on in this instance and not just make up your mind and come to a conclusion but attempt to listen to the debate and listen to the proposition as it is put forward and then know. The total weight that is hauled in these garbage trucks is 9,000 pounds. 4000 pounds in that truck overloads the axle weight of 16,000 per axle. 9,000 pounds of volume in that truck does not overload it, but if the grass or the rubbish going into that garbage truck has an excessive weight because of moisture contained in that garbage, then there will be an overweight and there is no way for the garbage hauler to know that until the State of Nebraska stops him and fines him \$200. This bill does not damage the highways of Nebraska, the county roads nor the city roads but it does allow the people living in first class cities to haul their garbage out at a price they can afford. Without this bill, there is going to be a serious difference in the way we handle garbage out of first class cities which includes Sidney, Nebraska. Mr. Speaker, you are kind to let me close twice. I appreciate that. I move we advance the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is to advance 842 to E & R for review. All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. The motion is the advancement of 842 to E & R for review. Okay, Senator Kelly. Senator Kelly. Senator Kelly, I am going to call for the vote. Do you want a Call of the House? Okay, record.

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