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LB 361

Senator Koch. Were you posing a question about rural transportation?

SENATOR KAHLE: Yes, where are we at with rural transportation?

SENATOR LANDIS: Okay, a city or a county in rural Nebraska can apply for public transportation funds if they wish to operate such a system. However, they have been reluctant to do so because in many cases they have had to cross counties and counties have not been willing to create the situation of a multicounty system, so the community action programs have volunteered to do that, they are willing to do that. They are willing to make the necessary arrangements to do a multicounty arrangement. They, however, cannot receive state funds. A county can if they wish to, a CAP cannot. CAPs are the ones who are willing to do these multicounty situations. So, legalistically, there is money available if a county wants to do so. In reality the counties have been reluctant to do so and the community action programs have been willing to do so, but they are the ones who can't get the money.

SENATOR KAHLE: What is the difference with what is in 361 then that would make this possible?

SENATOR LANDIS: 361 allows the CAPs to apply for public transportation funds...722 and existing law does not. That concept was studied this summer by the public transportation interim study and was contained in LB 704. A portion of that language has been adopted in 361.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Ladies and gentlemen, the Chair has been tolerant, but the motion before the House is whether or not we lay over the bill on Select File. On General File the rule has been that the introducer in requesting this has been successful in laying it over. We don't have the same rule on Select File but we do have the motion. Now the motion, as the Chair interprets it, is that the introducer has requested that the bill be laid over, and that should be what the debate is about. Now, Senator Fitzgerald, your motion is to lay over the bill.

SENATOR FITZGERALD: Yes.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker, that's....

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: ...exactly the point and I am objecting to