

SPEAKER MARVEL: We need to advance the bill.

CLERK: No, Mr. President, the next amendment to the bill is offered by Senator Haberman.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are on LB 290 and about ready to advance the bill.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President.

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SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I am handing out and having handed out a sheet that shows that regardless of which plate we choose, reflectorized or beaded, on the reflectorized plate we can save \$2,387,000 and on the Flex-O-Lite plate, using the same figures provided me by the Correctional Services and DAS we can save \$1,785,000 over the six years by having one license plate. There are nineteen states at the present time that have one license plate. Now if you will remember when you are driving down the interstate and you are in the right hand lane, there is no way you can see the license plate on the front of the car to read it or even to see the color in the lane across the median and two more lanes. When they check for parking tickets they check the back plate. When the State Patrol comes up and crosses the median and comes up to check you out they come up and they check the back plate. When you are driving down the highway in slush and snow and ice and mud, the front plate gets covered up, the back plate stays clean. I have talked to the Governor about this and he has no objections to us having one license plate. So I feel that in the crunch that we are in for dollars, and it is working in nineteen states and we can save a minimum of \$2,380,000 on one plate and \$1,785,000 on another plate. Let's try it. Let's go with the other nineteen states and let's have one plate. Now the figures that show the money, if our new methods of plates cost us more, which they could, then we are going to save more over the six years. We save in metal, we save in freight, we save in handling, we save in manufacturing, we save everywhere we go by having one plate. We are going to save hundreds and hundreds of thousands of dollars. And I say to you today, if it is working for nineteen states, more states are considering it than that, and I won't bring that into the argument or the issue. Let's take bids under the same conditions we are for two but let's do it and have one license plate in the State of Nebraska. If you have any questions I will be glad to answer them. I gave you a simple sheet to look at today because it is awfully complicated but it shows the money we save on the stickers,