

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I chose not to oppose a previous Beutler amendment because I thought it was so obvious when he suggested that we not use those testing vehicles on anything other than the interstate highways that everyone would recognize that you would not be able to get to the interstate highway by a secondary road if you have adopted that amendment and so you would have had to call upon me with my helicopter service to lift you from the docking point to the highway but I almost got the amendment adopted. So I am going to say it right now, I don't think you need this amendment. We've talked many, many times about superfluous language in the law. It is a testing program the Department of Roads is going to carry out what they see fit to find out what they need, to add this information. It's just like putting in the FARs that you can't land a 747 on the David City Airport. It is a matter of common sense. I don't think you need it. I think it is time that we stopped this foolishness and either move the bill or kill it but certainly we don't need the Beutler amendment.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Beutler to close.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, I've never heard such a nonargument in my whole life. The bill is quite clear. There is absolutely no limitation in it whatsoever with regard to the number of vehicles that you can use. Now if that is the way you want the bill, fine, but if you want some reasonable limitation on the testing program, if you don't want to see these kinds of vehicles all over your highways immediately, then I think it makes sense to limit them to a certain number to begin with. These are not amendments designed to kill the bill. They are amendments designed to make sense out of the bill and I resent the indication that they are other than that. Again, the amendment would limit the number of vehicles, number of these types of vehicles involved in the testing program at any one time to 30 vehicles. Thank you.

SENATOR LAMB: The motion is the Beutler amendment. Those in support vote yes, those opposed vote no.

CJ. ERK: Senator Beutler voting no.

SENATOR LAMB: Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record. A record vote has been requested.

CJ. ERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler requests a record vote. (Read record vote as found on pages 1503-1504 of the Legislative Journal.) 14 ayes, 24 nays, Mr. President.