

Senator Goodrich's amendment? Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. I wish a banking bill was up today so we would have some of those bankers out in the lobby and I could ask them this question, but I know when I use Master Charge if I am going to charge a certain large amount, they will always call the bank and check and see if Marge Higgins still has that much credit, and I am wondering if on a credit card they wouldn't also, the court, be as smart as a retail clerk and call and check and see is this Master Charge indeed good or not. So I would question on that part of the amendment if we would need to do it or not. I know that retail outlets often refuse people credit because they are over their limit or they haven't made a payment on their credit card in two or three months. So that would be my only comment. I don't believe the courts would accept your credit card without first checking with Master Charge, and I understand in Douglas County we already have Master Charge and Visa. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Thank you. We are speaking to the amendment and I support the amendment and the amendment but to honor a credit card usually one has a list of bad credit cards, and again as Senator Higgins has pointed out, you call. Senator Conway, would you yield to a question? Did you say that the Highway Patrol is interested in using this for out of state and they would then record this on a charge card ticket and have them mail that in?

SENATOR CONWAY: Senator Pirsch, it is my understanding that they would process that credit card on site in a situation where they have accessed the card, processed it just as if they were making payment on the site, and would be able to file that at the end of the working day.

SENATOR PIRSCH: Well, I did have a brother-in-law that got a ticket once in the State of Nebraska and was told that checks would not do and, of course, credit cards at that time were not even considered, and in fact was even escorted to the mailbox by the trooper to deposit the cash in an envelope with the ticket. This will change that procedure quite radically, will it not?