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PRESIDENT: Senator Pappas, do you wish to speak on the Rupp amendment?

SENATOR PAPPAS: Yes, Mr. President, colleagues, I rise to oppose Senator Rupp's amendment and basically for selfish reasons. There is times that I wish this program wasn't in effect because one of the by-products of it is my particular community being very involved in a clean city program which they have a banquet every year which I have to go to, but on the logical side of it the one thing this program has created in the State of Nebraska that keeps going and that is the pride of having clean city and clean roadsides programs all the way across the State of Nebraska which basically probably saves the state two or three times the \$600,000 just in local private efforts to clean up the road ditches, the roadsides and the cities throughout the state and I'm afraid if this program was eliminated we would eliminate the source of this pride and would not keep going on a private basis and for those reasons I think we shouldn't adopt Senator Rupp's amendment and advance this bill in the form it's in now.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp, do you wish to speak at this time?

SENATOR DECAMP: Yes, Mr. President. Now I'll answer all the questions. I think the bill is really the story of the ugly duckling and had you been here during the litter war, Senator Rupp, I think you'd understand the issue slightly better. I had hoped possibly you had taken the time to review the research, read the history of the bill. I almost dare you not to renew it. I almost dare you to pass your amendment and I know I'm sending shivers through some of the people on the outside, but I almost do. Let me tell you about the litter wars we used to go through. The bill had to pass three times. It was vetoed by Exon in a moment of pique which he used to get every once in a while when I would get something on his desk that he didn't like. The litter wars had to do with whether we were going to have a bottle bill in the state or a litter program as some of the other states have done. We finally passed a litter law and Senator Bernice Labeledz, I would hope she would listen to a little portion of this. Senator Labeledz was saying there were inaccurate figures given as to the cost of her