

State Patrol. During the hearings that we had just last summer I was not satisfied and I don't think that Senator Fowler or anybody else on the committee was completely satisfied with the way these funds were being handled. An example would be that the money might be given a certain amount to a supervisor and then he would distribute it to agents and informants. Sometimes some of this money would be returned, sometimes it would be used for expenses and sometimes part of it was for salary but it was difficult to determine what money was being used for and in many cases once it was turned over to the informant he or she would just have Carte Blanche and make whatever use of it was deemed to be appropriate and just come back at some time and say, this is what I have done. Other instances where alleged informants signing blank receipts where they were filled in later as to the amount of money received, and I and others felt that this was just to loose a proposition. This amendment was drafted to allow the appropriations committee to help draw up some procedures for record keeping not only for the expertise of the members on that committee but because Senator Fowler also sits on that committee and was present during the hearings this summer and could get help some background if necessary as to why this should be.

Amendment number eight, the statute as it now stands says that any property ceased would remain in the possession of the officer ceasing it. All this does is say that it would go to the property division of whatever agency employs that officer and he or she would not have...be charged with the responsibility of holding the property.

SENATOR MARVEL: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Simon.

SENATOR SIMON: A question of Senator Chambers if he would yield.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Certainly.

SENATOR SIMON: Senator Chambers you were talking about the State Patrol and you mentioned on number seven which was one of the things that you felt this amendment would take care of. Are there other things...it has come to my attention that there are some other concerns of some of the members of this body have concerning this particular agency, being the State Patrol. Are there any other amendments in the criminal code which you would propose that would deal with this agency? This certainly takes care of one small aspect, but from what I understand there are many others that people have legitimate concerns about. Would you care to expound upon that?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Simon, I do in my opinion feel that there are other areas with reference to the operation of the State Patrol that should be considered, but I said that I am not trying to filibuster the criminal code, and there is a provision in the statute that would relate to the State Patrol and I would rather try to do other things under that section after talking to the state patrol people first and seeing if we can arrive at some understanding. But, the reason that I wanted this language attached at this point, the State Patrol drug