

SENATOR SMITH: No.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: ...as it would really be April 1st, but with the idea there could be some consideration given April 20th.

SENATOR SMITH: For an individual, and only on a one-time basis.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I read that, too. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, I am too in general and sympathize with those that Senator Smith is trying to help, and it does seem real cruel to those that are really justified in getting it, but I also have had a couple of cases in my area that simply very indignant; I missed it, and now what are you going to do about it? And so I somewhat, in that respect, have some mixed emotions. One lady, I said to her, and she was a young lady. It was her husband that had gotten it on the veterans. And I said it was advertised in the paper, it was over the radio, and her remark was, me, I don't spend my time reading the newspaper, Senator. Well, frankly, then I can't be too sorry for her when it was...you know, we try to notify them and dates have to be observed. I will be supporting it and, again, if the county board is the one who will review these cases, you know exactly what will happen because this is not county funds. So they will be approved almost automatically 100 percent, and I am not so sure there is anything wrong with that, excepting I certainly wouldn't want it to be abused because that is the reason we have deadlines and not that I just, well, I just forgot.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Nelson. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I rise in support of the Smith amendment. I sit on the Revenue Committee and I voted to advance this bill from committee. I would just want to second what Senator Wehrbein said that clearly I think our intent in adopting this should be as something that allows a county a little flexibility when it runs into a special case, and not simply as an artificial mechanism that is used to extend the deadline for an application for a homestead exemption. I think clearly this ought to be a person who, for one reason or another, missed that deadline, probably through no fault of their own or through little fault of their own, allows the county board a little latitude in coming back