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there's some talk that it'll go above twelve. Remember the twenty percent reserve that the small loan companies must maintain on the amounts above five thousand to ten thousand, then it's felt that fifteen percent is a reasonable rate. Now for those of you who say, well that sounds a little high and unreasonable to me, I can borrow at my bank...I can borrow at my bank for nine, ten, ten and half, eleven, maybe twelve percent at the most...a small loan company loans to a select group who can't get credit at the bank normally. This is their last resort. This is their place to get credit, and whether they should, or should not be getting credit, I guess is a judgment matter between that person and the lending institution, and so on and so forth. These are the rates proposed.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator DeCamp, you can still borrow less than one thousand dollars, right? Let's say...is that correct?

SENATOR DeCAMP: That is correct.

SENATOR NICHOL: Alright, if you borrow three hundred dollars, is the rate still twenty-four percent?

SENATOR DeCAMP: That is correct.

SENATOR NICHOL: In other words, any amount under one thousand dollars it's twenty-four percent?

SENATOR DeCAMP: That is correct.

SENATOR NICHOL: Okay, thank you, that's all I wanted to know.

SENATOR DeCAMP: That is the maximum. It could be less than that, mind you. That is the maximum, and under the present law it is thirty percent...under the present law it's thirty.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Any other discussion? Okay, the motion is on the adoption of amendment number (2). All those in favor vote aye. Opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Clerk, record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the adoption of DeCamp's amendment (2), Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion carried and the amendment's adopted. Now, we're on amendment number (3).

SENATOR DeCAMP: Amendment number (3), and I believe this is