

rehabilitation of alcoholics or drunks or whatever. But I think before you move on on this bill, you guys ought to sit down and explain what all you are doing, because everybody I talked to out there thinks that you are talking about the license fees and you are not. You are talking merely about the registration fee at this point. I don't think that there has been any settlement reached with the Liquor Commission or anybody else at this point as to what there should be in new fees or changes in licenses. I think until you get that settled it is foolish to move ahead on the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, are you ready to proceed with your amendment? We have got about four other amendments here.

SENATOR NEWELL: I thought I was closing last time. But, I'll close again. I would like to explain simply that Senator DeCamp's arguments are interesting arguments. They have very little to do with what this amendment would do. This amendment raises again, and I will say it very clearly, we have never increased fees in the liquor industry ever. We are going to increase the registration fee from two dollars to ten dollars. That is a yearly fee. That is minimal in terms of the secretarial work and so forth that goes into administering these fees. Now on the one, there is one class of liquor license that will be increased from \$250 to \$300 with this amendment. The original bill had \$350 on it and I'm going back to \$300. So we are increasing one class of Class C licenses \$50. Now even with the occupancy, even with the fees that local governments tack on that will increase a liquor license in those areas where they do do that a maximum of \$150 at the most total dollars out of the businesses income. The state gets \$50 and if local governments have an ordinance, some of them do and some of them don't, which tax on another, which does a percentage of that for doing business in that city for the administration of law enforcement and so forth, they total cost would be \$150. That is less than they pay a bar tender for one weeks work. That is the first increase the liquor industry will have suffered since it is such a tremendous burden as Senator DeCamp indicates, it will be the first increase the industry has suffered in forty years, since we established the Commission. It is modest.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the Newell amendment as explained. Senator Newell was closing. All those in favor of the Newell amendment to 848 vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? We are voting on the Newell amendment to 848. Senator Newell. Senator Newell.