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veterans. That is what they did with that money a long time ago, very appropriate, very unselfish, for those who have served in a time defined by law. I am going to support to repeal this amendment. Now then if the Revenue Committee wants to come back next year and talk about this subject again and it has had a full hearing where everyone has had an opportunity to speak to the issue which is very germane to their problem, that is fine. I am a little concerned this morning. We are talking about these rich veterans who are paraplegics or whoever they are. I know of very few of those. I know of very few of those. It is easy for us to sit here and say we have got a bunch of wealthy veterans who are living off of the law, who are parasites. I don't think that is in good taste at all. For us to do this to them at the present time without their full knowledge I think is irresponsible on our part. I am a veteran but I will tell you what. I didn't get damaged by the war, in no shape, form or way, and I am extremely thankful for that and those who paid a price beyond what I paid outside of the fact the three years I served there deserve some recognition. I am going to support the repeal of the Landis-Peterson amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Mr. Speaker, I move the previous question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do I see five hands? I see fifty hands. All in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed vote no. Record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wagner.

SENATOR WAGNER: Mr. Speaker and members, I think Senator Fowler and Senator Koch hit on an issue here that really does concern me because it does hit the Vietnam veterans and I think it is kind of like maybe a little bit of a low blow if we do something like this at this particular time. I think they feel pretty bad in a number of areas. I would hate to kind of like add to it but I think this all points out one thing is that this till really should have had a public hearing. I think a number of people that would have come and testified would have been greatly different than those that did, and for that reason I would very much ask your support of this amendment, DeCamp and Fitzgerald and Wagner, and at this time I would like to yield a little bit of my time to Senator Fitzgerald in the closing.