

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Thank you. Chair recognizes Senator Ashford.

SENATOR ASHFORD: I would ask Senator Barrett a quick question, if I could.

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Senator Barrett, do you yield for a question?

SENATOR BARRETT: I'd be happy to.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Senator Barrett, are you saying that you are accepting the amendment and then...

SENATOR BARRETT: Yes, I am accepting...

SENATOR ASHFORD: ...would also, with that change?

SENATOR BARRETT: Yes.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Okay. As long as "knowingly" is there, you have no problem with it.

SENATOR BARRETT: I have some still continued concerns about the amendment offered by Senator Haberman. But Senator Landis's amendment to the amendment makes it a far better amendment.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Could I ask Senator Warner a question, because maybe I don't...

SENATOR L. JOHNSON: Senator Warner.

SENATOR ASHFORD: Senator Warner, could you explain to me not the constitutional issue that you raised, but the issue of where the requirement lies, who...in the statute.

SENATOR WARNER: My understanding of the thrust of the statute is a limit that is in effect, authorized what a governmental subdivision must pay for the insertion of a legal ad, up to that amount. I do not understand that there is a prohibition to pay more or to pay less.

SENATOR ASHFORD: It authorizes them to pay a certain amount. It doesn't....Could I ask then Senator Barrett one more question?