

court date is due. With that, Mr. Speaker, I have an amendment that we have to clarify one point that was brought up to me by the law enforcement officials; that on page 13, line 23...or, Pat, should I go ahead with that or do you want to...

CLERK: Your amendment is on page 458 of the Journal, Senator.

SENATOR BEYER: Okay, what it does is on page 13, line 23, and page 15, line 3, strike "three" and insert "seven". With that, I would urge the adoption of the amendment at this time.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Is there discussion on the Beyer amendment to the bill? Senator Hall, on the amendment.

SENATOR HALL: Well, Mr. President, only that I guess, since I wasn't aware of the amendment, what, if Senator Beyer would explain the amendment. I understand strike three and insert seven but for what purpose?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Beyer, please, would you respond?

SENATOR BEYER: Mr. Speaker, yes. What it was is we had three days in there that the law enforcement officers had to report the...send the license into the Department of Motor Vehicles. They did not believe they could, in all cases, get that done in three and they requested the seven day. So it is just an extension from three to seven to return the license to the Department of Motor Vehicles.

SENATOR HALL: Okay, Mr. President, and thank you, Senator Beyer, I would rise to oppose the amendment because, and I am going to oppose the bill because I appreciate the amendment that Senator Lindsay and Hartnett tacked on to the bill, it is probably the best part of the bill at present, but what the amendment, if I understand it correctly, and I just looked at the bill after lunch, the amendment would reduce the amount of time or it would increase, I guess, the amount of time the arresting officer would have to forward the operator's license, but there is no increase in the amount of time that that individual who would refuse a test and, granted, I don't make any defense for someone who refuses to take the test who clearly is intoxicated, but in this case, we, basically, we are going to give the arresting officer additional time. We are going to increase the time that they have to submit that license from three to seven. Now it would seem to me that if they revoke