

SENATOR WESELY: Well, I hope I can convince Senator Hannibal, and anybody else who has a question. This is...I know we have come up on this bill rather quickly. This amendment has been in the Journal for a few days. Again, what was originally proposed was a five to twenty-five thousand dollar fine and I simply felt that was too great a fine. I thought that the intent was correct, though, that if you are to have trained employees, it isn't right to fine the employees for not being trained, although they could still do that, frankly. That would not be taken out, but that it was the business's responsibility, clearly the statute indicates that, and that the business involved should have some penalty for not carrying out the law. That penalty would be \$500 the first...500 to 5,000 the first time and then 5,000 or more beyond that. But there are also, again I emphasize to you that if they find a problem, they have the opportunity to issue a citation and give the business time to comply with the statute, so I don't think there is a problem. Senator Goodrich, I understand your concern but, you know, if this, in fact, has any impact, as you indicate, that I would not support it either because that is not what I was told. So I just want you to know that that is not at all what is intended here. But I do think what is intended is fair and reasonable and I would hope that you would support this amendment.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question is the adoption of the Wesely amendment to LB 923. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the adoption of the Wesely amendment. Have you all voted? Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Could I ask for a call of the house, Mr. Speaker?

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Pursuant to Rule 7, Section 5, Mr. Clerk, clear the board. Members will vote on placing themselves under call. All in favor vote aye, opposed no. Record.

CLERK: 24 ayes, 0 nays to go under call, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The house is under call. Members, please return to your desks and record your presence. Those members outside the Chamber, please return and record your presence. Senator McFarland, please check in. Senator Labeledz, Senator Korshoj, Senator Ashford. Senator Rod Johnson, please check in. Senator Warner, Senator Smith. Senator Moore, the house is