

very near to that. This happened in Nebraska. A federal inspector came into a business. One of the requirements is that a notice be posted on the wall where an employee can see it. This employer had the form all filled out, lying on his desk, ready to put it on the wall and the inspector automatically fined him \$7,000 because he hadn't posted that notice. Now there is some larger firms that they might have fined more than \$10,000. Should an individual be a felon merely because he didn't post a notice?

SPEAKER BAACK: Well, Senator Elmer, this does not relate to that because this is only talking about violations of the hazardous waste are underground injection control criminal violations, so it's not specifically, you know, dealing with that kind of a situation. That is not a violation of those standards. So this would not apply to that.

SENATOR ELMER: Okay, thank you, Senator Baack.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Elmer. Mr. Clerk, is there an amendment on the desk?

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Beutler had an amendment to the committee amendments, not present. You might ask if someone...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Is there someone here who is authorized to speak to Senator Beutler's amendment to the committee amendments? Seeing none, we will go ahead and proceed with debate on the committee amendments. Senator Nelson.

SENATOR NELSON: Yes, Madam Speaker, I might also, for clarification, to Senator Elmer and that was a good question asked, it really wouldn't apply. And also the committee amendments added the requirement. And there is no minimum penalty on a Class IV felony, so I know it's something to have that on your record but also the violations have to be knowingly and willful, in other words, not quite by happenstance, in other words, that you knowingly that you're violating it. And with the hazardous waste material some of those are very dangerous. So I might just clarify that. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Nelson. Senator Dierks.

SENATOR DIERKS: Thank you, Madam President, and members, I would like to ask Senator Baack a question or two here. Senator