

crowded aisle and all the movement out back and forth. And, unfortunately, floor debate is taking a backseat to all of the other things that are happening. I want to raise one argument succinctly, but I hope that you will give me the time and attention to do that. I support the Hall amendment for this reason. It's true that the reinstatement fee at \$50 doesn't cover all the costs, and \$75 might be a fair fee. But if you raise this cost to \$100, you will have some people who walk in and will not reinstate but will go back on the highway. They will drive. People will not stop driving, they will just stop driving with a driver's license. Why do you want them to come in with a driver's license even at 50 bucks? Because when they do they bring in proof of insurance. They have to do it. What you want are drivers who are insured. That's far more cost important to the entire state than 25 or 50 bucks for the reinstatement fee. If you increase the number of drivers on the road who do not have insurance, think of the risk that you are creating for other people, and that is an undisclosed element of this discussion. Even if we don't get back every dollar, putting back people on the road whom we know, who have a license and who have shown insurance is much more important than getting the last dollar out of these people. If you get a choice here and you create a punitive, higher than actual cost fee, you will get people who will walk in, take a look at the amount of time, energy, effort to reinstate and they won't do it and they'll just simply go out and drive. When they get into an accident who will help the injured, innocent party? Not the state. Not the person who doesn't have a valid driver's license and who doesn't have insurance. They'll be the ones who will suffer. What you most want to have are drivers who are driving on the highway who are covered by insurance and without this amendment you imperil that to some degree. I would suggest that if maybe there's a number between these two that's liveable but don't go to a hundred dollar fee, make it punitive and give people reasons to walk out of that room, go back on the street, decide to take the risk and start driving without driver's licenses and without insurance, because that is very costly to this state and to the people of this state just to gain ten or fifteen bucks on the reinstatement fee. Don't you do it. The amendment by Senator Hall is appropriate. Maybe an upward adjustment is right but not to 100 bucks.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Lynch. Are there sufficient seconds? We will now vote on the motion to cease debate. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay.