

CLERK: Senator Hartnett voting yes. Senator Chambers voting yes. Senator Elmer voting yes.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on the amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The amendment is adopted. Anything further on the bill?

CLERK: Nothing further on the bill.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Hall, your light's on.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President, and members. Senator Brashear, would you respond to a question?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Brashear.

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Yes, Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Senator Brashear, you had a discussion with Senator Chambers regarding the civil penalty provision of the bill. Would you be amenable to looking at the figure that's in there? Right now, it's listed at a thousand dollars. It came in as a part of the committee amendments. It was not in the green copy of the bill as introduced. Would you be amenable to looking at that dollar figure? It's very likely that the loan or the interest that would be paid on the loan, if, say, for example, somebody missed the loan period by a day, they were late by a day, for example, would it be possible to look at a reduction of that civil penalty? The \$1,000 is a very stiff penalty by which, and, I believe, if I'm not mistaken, the penalty actually could be paid out of the campaign fund but the interest could not. I mean, would you be willing to look at a lesser figure that might be more appropriate, between now and Select?

SENATOR BRASHEAR: Absolutely, Senator Hall, in fact, the thought even occurred to me since you pointed out the minimum that we might be able to use the same mechanism on the minimum that we used on the maximum and make it an amount equal to, and that would answer your concern if it was \$29 over.