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reinstatement fee currently is. The retail license fine, in lieu of suspension, would be increased to \$100 per day for the first offense, and \$200 per day for the second or every offense after that. The retail liquor license suspension without ability to pay fine could be imposed only upon the third or following violation for sale to minors or minors in possession. The period of suspension of the alcoholic sales could not exceed five days. That is another controversial issue, that part of it, but I think when you look at the whole issue and what we're attempting to do here, I think you need to, like I said, keep them both together, keep the driver's license and the retail liquor license people also accountable for the issues. The committee looked at this issue very, very carefully and I think it's an issue that they felt comfortable with. There was no "no" votes in the committee. Everyone thought that it's something that we have to do this year. I'd be glad to answer any questions, Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend the committee amendments. (See FA44 on page 871 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on your amendment to the committee amendments to LB 126.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor and members of the Legislature. This bill is so bad that I did not know exactly where to start. So I will tell you a little joke to give you an idea of what I'm dealing with. Senator Schellpeper, in a very small town in America, many, many years ago, a person was selling elephants and he had six elephants, five of whom were sound, one of which was very, very shaky. So he easily sold the first five. The sixth one, he had kind of doctored up to cover and conceal some of the obvious problems. So an individual came over with a long hayseed hanging out of his head...out of his mouth, was looking at the elephant, so the seller ran over to him right quick and said, look, if you be quiet and I can sell this elephant for \$500, I'll give you \$100. So the guy thought about it and he said, all right. He didn't say anything. A person came along and purchased the elephant for \$500. The man who sold the elephant went to the fellow who