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committee amendments.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Committee amendments are adopted.  
Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next amendment to the bill, Senator Chambers, I have AM2647 in front of me. (AM2647, Legislative Journal page 933.)

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Chambers, you're recognized to open on this amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What I'm going to have to do is gather my wits for just a second. Mr. Clerk, can you tell me which page in the Journal that first one is?

CLERK: Well, Senator, look in your bill book because it's a thick amendment and it's...look in your bill book in front of the bill, AM2647. That's where it should be. It's a Drafter amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, yes, thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, what this amendment would do is increase the cost of liquor licenses. What it would do is treble the cost of every liquor license. These amounts have not been raised in I don't know how long a period of time, and seldom does this issue ever come before us. But since a bill such as this has come up and it was brought by the liquor industry, I think it's appropriate for us to examine what it is that is involved in this particular situation. So what I decided to do, since Senator Janssen wants to shift the responsibility of who has to pay certain taxes from these liquor purveyors to the private citizen, it is only appropriate that we look at the purveyors themselves. I would like to ask Senator Janssen a question.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Janssen, would you respond?

SENATOR JANSSEN: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Janssen, do you have any idea how long it has been since these license fees were increased?