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once again, we have people playing fast and loose with a system which they are saying is peopled by individuals not doing their job. So my amendment would not allow these amounts to be written off. They would stand there forever or until I'm out of the Legislature. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. You've heard the opening on AM3276, offered by Senator Chambers to LB 1241. Open for discussion on that amendment. Senator Schimek, followed by Senators Smith and Vrtiska. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President and members. Senator Chambers, in many ways, I couldn't agree more. It is...it is very disturbing that those people, who have fines and who certainly have the means to pay those fines, do not pay those fines. And I wouldn't even necessarily disagree with just letting this stand for all time as a reminder of people who don't pay their debts. There is one thing, I think, that may be wrong with your amendment, and I think you've got some transposed numbers here, Senator Chambers, which you may want to correct. But I've just been out in the Rotunda and talked to Frank Daley, just so that I was clear on what we have done, and the Accountability Commission, in case you haven't discussed this Senator Chambers, and I didn't...I didn't hear all your discussion, the Accountability Commission actually did take this committee to court and did get a judgment, and then tried to collect and it is my understanding that the committee did turn over all their remaining assets in that account to Accountability, and any monies that they received thereafter, but it was still \$41,396.53 short. If this were a group that didn't have the means to pay it I wouldn't be standing up here, but this group had the personal means to pay this. And so I don't have an objection to what you're trying to do here. You're making a point and it's a point well-made. We did discuss it. We have discussed it. We have changed the law. We have made it that the treasurer is personally responsible and we have made it so that a bond has to be taken out once the \$100,000 threshold is...has been hit by a committee, so that fines will be paid here on, here after, by committees that are established. But I wouldn't mind adopting your amendment. And, incidentally, I don't know if you heard me say, I think the