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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Have you had a chance to think about it?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yeah, I really don't have any problem with increasing it, but I think that probably 10,000 is a little bit high. I would sooner go 5,000, if you're going to increase it.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Why would ten be high, since it's a maximum, and no fine at all needs to be imposed?

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Well, I don't have really a big problem, but I think without a hearing, without any discussion from the industry, to jump from 1,000 to 10,000 is just a little bit too big of a jump.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well...

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: But if...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, excuse me.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: I don't have a problem with it otherwise.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Suppose this individual who committed the violation...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...makes a windfall, takes in a very tidy sum of money, \$1,000, he or she would be willing to pay that out with no problem, 5,000, you're starting to kind of make them feel a pinch, but 10,000 might make them think twice, and maybe it won't.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Senator, I really don't care whether, you know, 10,000, long as that's the maximum, I guess...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: ...it doesn't make any difference whether you say 25,000, I guess, as long as maximum...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, I'll take 25,000, but...