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PRESIDENT: Strike 6 months and add 2 days. Okay, go ahead.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: I think those amendments are self explanatory. I think that those penalties are excessive for the danger involved here. I move the adoption of those amendments.

SENATOR SYAS: Well, I don't.

PRESIDENT: Senator Syas, go ahead.

SENATOR SYAS: Unless you have reasonable penalties on fishing and hunting, people will deprive the State of everything. This is old matter that he's trying to amend. He's trying to give them a kiss and say go out and do it again. If you run into some hunters and fishermen and they find out, Senator Cavanaugh, you've done this, you don't know how wild they can get and I'm one of them. You'd better leave this section alone.

PRESIDENT: All right, we have Senator Cavanaugh's amendment before the body and Senator Duis did you wish to be heard on this amendment? You're just talking about the bill in general? All right. Senator Fred Carstens, do you wish to be heard on this amendment? That's what's before the body at this time, Senator Cavanaugh's amendment. Senator Carstens.

SENATOR F. CARSTENS: Mr. President and members, I would have to object to this amendment for the same reason Senator Syas does. We heard this bill in committee and most of this is directed at the, at the restrictions placed on commercial enterprises involved and these particular creatures that we're talking about here. Now if we make this only a \$10 fine, the commercial extractors of mussels and so on which are, I believe I understood, if I remember the committee testimony right, are being captured or mined or whatever they do with them and some of the shells are used in the manufacture and much of it is exported. On the salamanders and those items that are used for bait, they are being taken to Florida and Colorado in large quantities in commercial ventures and if you put a \$10 fine on them that's just an invitation to go ahead and do it because the fine, the profit is sufficient they will just raise the price on the bait, pay the fine and the restrictions mean absolutely nothing. So we should vote down this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion of the amendment? Senator Anderson, did you wish to be heard on the amendment?

SENATOR ANDERSON: Mr. President, members of the body, I too must rise in objection to the amendment. The thing that you've got to realize here is that this part of the bill is dealing with enforcement and penalty powers for more than simply violation of the new matter that has been added reference salamanders, mussels, turtles, things like this. This kind of an amendment would totally wipe out much of the enforcement powers that we have and would be, I think, a terrible mistake. So I urge you to reject it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Mahoney, did you wish to be heard on the amendment?

SENATOR MAHONEY: Mr. President, Senator Carpenter is giving me a dirty look because he thinks that we should put it to the question and get it on its way, but I would say that I'd have to speak against my friend, Senator Cavanaugh, because I think he probably hasn't had an opportunity to get out of the city from his law books and really have the occasion to hunt as George has and to see this firsthand and I'd have to say that the age and the wisdom here of George would rule