

could say, any legislator could take it to court and get this section torn down, so I'm not sure...(interruption.)

PRESIDENT: One minute, Senator Cope.

SENATOR NEWELL: ...I'm not sure that right now it is unlawful to do what you are fearful of but that could easily be torn down in court so....

SENATOR COPE: I think I will wait for the court decision then, Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: ...and it would be. We would have to wait for a court decision.

PRESIDENT: Senator Newell, you may close on the committee amendments.

SENATOR NEWELL: I don't think there is a close necessary.

PRESIDENT: All right, the motion then is the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Has everyone voted? We are voting on the committee amendments to LB 535. Senator Newell. Record the vote.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carries. The committee amendments are adopted. We are now on the bill itself. Another amendment, Mr. Clerk? Read the amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Newell now moves to amend, I believe copies have been distributed to the membership.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, these amendments do a couple of things and let me just go through them. The first part of this section clarifies what is already being interpreted by the political accountability commission. What we are trying to do with this section is to make it clear so if somebody is reading the bill that they know exactly how it is being interpreted and it is more clear that a thousand dollars, after you reach a thousand dollars for the entire campaign and not just for the primary and then again for the general, that it is one campaign and therefore, that that exemption works. If the...the second part is the committee raises or spends less than a thousand dollars it must only say so. Now I am talking about the last report here. In other words, you have filed a report prior to the campaign to the election and then if you