

settled before trial is ever held, then these jurors would be excused from service for five years without ever having actually served on a jury. In smaller counties excusing these people before they actually serve creates a potential problem of running out of jurors during the five-year period. This committee amendment would correct that problem. And lastly, the last committee amendment was brought to the committee by Senator DeCamp. This amendment relates to the compensation received by the jurors. It clarifies the language so that an employer may reduce the pay that the employee may receive as a juror from that employee's wages. I move for the adoption of the committee amendments.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the committee amendments to 733. All in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed no. Record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried. The committee amendments are adopted. Now Senator Koch has a motion.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Koch moves to amend the bill. (Read Koch amendment as found on page 613 of the Legislative Journal.)

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I understand the committee's amendment, since there was federal legislation that raised the retirement age to 70, but I don't believe that is germane to what I attempted to do in the original bill. A number of people in the area in which I live who live in homes where elderly reside called me and said that they had been called for jury duty, but they did not feel that they could serve physically and a lot of other ways, but before they could be excused they said that their physician had to give them a statement advising the judge of what their problems were. To me this is an invasion of privacy. These people have been around and lived in this country long enough to know whether they feel that they are competent to serve on jury duty or whether they are not. I feel that 65 is a proper age and others in here I think agree with me. That is why I am asking to back to the original language which is 65 years of age and they have to show only the fact they are 65, do not have to bring in physicians' statements and a lot of other things if they feel that that is uncomfortable to them, and is indeed invading their privacy to some degree. I ask for the adoption of the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Stoney.