

the mere fact that a person was convicted of a felony should be sufficient cause for denying them forever the opportunity to do what they should be allowed to do. I said all that to say this. I am supporting Senator Johnson's amendment.

PRESIDENT: Now, Senator Johnson, what do you have to say?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I am very grateful that I have garnered so much support for this amendment. As I analyze this transaction very carefully, I conclude that probably the amendment that I am offering is being offered to a different part of the law than it should be offered to but the rules are pretty much the same. We currently have a statute which says that anybody who applies for a real estate license who has committed a felony of moral turpitude can have that held right against them and be denied a license. I think it needs to be cleaned up a little bit. I believe the sentiment in this Legislature, however, as I listened to the debate is to say that a felon ought not to be penalized all the rest of his days. So I will clean it up and offer the right amendment on Select File, and as a courtesy to Senator William Barrett, real estate agent par excellence, I will withdraw my amendment.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator, the amendment is withdrawn and we are back to the bill. And, Senator Barrett, you haven't had a chance to speak on the bill, have you?

SENATOR BARRETT: Yes, I have, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Okay.

SENATOR BARRETT: I move that it be advanced to E & R Initial as amended.

PRESIDENT: Very good. That is still debatable and the Chair recognizes Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. Senator Barrett's bill, which I don't know if he offered on behalf of himself or someone else, on page 2, I am just reading, "Broker shall mean any person who for a fee, commission,..." et cetera, and they have added the word "management". So broker shall mean any person who for a fee or intending or expecting to receive one or management, or assists in procuring prospects, and again they have got managing, that