

the penalty stiffer or lesser for someone...for an adult who would purchase alcoholic beverages for a minor?

SENATOR CHIZEK: Increased it, Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: They increased it. Thank you, Senator. I think this is an excellent bill. I rise to support it 100 percent. I hope everybody will support this bill so that we might be able to put a stop to these people who go out and purchase alcoholic beverages for minors. I think it is a necessary bill. I've seen it happen time and time again in Omaha where teenagers have told me that they would go down to the bowery or what you might call the bowery of Omaha, probably part of my district, and some poor old wino would be there and they'd say, hey, we'll give you a buck if you'll go in and buy us a six pack, or buy us a fifth, and this is how it is done in Omaha. I don't know how you do it in Senator Smith's district, Hastings, or Senator Pappas's district in North Platte. I certainly think it is a problem that needs to be addressed, so I would urge the advancement of LB 493 also. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Motion on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Hoagland would move to amend the bill. (See Hoagland amendment found on page 1348 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. President and colleagues, we were reminded, by the bill drafter, that because of changes we made in the notice provision that must be posted on the wall of the bars, and the fact that the 21 year old drinking age does not finally go into effect for all 20 year olds until the 1st of January 1986, that we need to delay the implementation date of this bill until January 1 of next year, or the notice provision changes contained in the committee amendments are not going to be entirely correct. As I understand it Senator Chizek has no objection to this amendment. It would simply delay the implementation date by four months, so that when the notice goes up in the bar warning people not to serve liquor to those under 21, it will conform 100 percent with the drinking age in Nebraska. With that, Mr. President, I'd ask the adoption of this amendment.