

the citizens on this one. So, Senator Hefner, I am going to support your amendment and I urge the body to do so. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Yes, Mr. President, these simple bills that everybody can get their teeth into sometimes get awful complicated as we go along. This morning I asked Senator Morehead whether she wanted to vote on the bill today and she said she did not because she wanted to put on some amendments. I guess I am wondering if we waited all this time for this amendment, I think what we have waited for and I will sure stand to be corrected, we waited for the supporters and proponents and sponsors of the bill to kill their own bill. I am dead serious. Read the amendment and then all you lawyers in here and you people that have played around with the Legislature for about two or three or five years and there are certain rules we follow, the press remembers them, number one, criminal laws are different than civil laws, right? And, number two, when you have criminal or quasi criminal penalties, that makes it a criminal law. Number three, what is the fundamental absolute difference between criminal laws and civil laws? Criminal law has to be absolutely specific so that anybody...well, not anybody, a person of ordinary and average intelligence can read the law and know if "they are included or excluded" if that applies this way or that way. Now, as I say, we waited, let's see, one, two, all morning and now almost an hour this afternoon to get an amendment from the sponsors that I think is going to render at least a good portion of the bill and maybe even the entire bill unconstitutional if challenged. And I don't know that anybody will ever challenge it because, as I said a long time ago, I think the bill has been watered down to where it is more a political statement than it is an enforceable device which is well and good. But my point is if this is what we waited for, I am concerned...I am concerned at how much more time it is going to take and whether the sponsors are thoroughly checking out their pieces. I just read the next amendment and maybe I am all full of beans again, but I wish you would take the time to read it. I think it has got a fatal flaw in it too. Maybe I am wrong. You take the time to read it and you have got lawyers and you can go outside and check. It ties you to a specific federal rule or something in existence now which may or may not be in existence in the future. In