

amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Johnson is withdrawing his amendment.

CLERK: I have nothing further on the bill at this time, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp, do you have anything further on the bill? Senator DeCamp, do you have anything further on the bill, 157?

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, this is the prejudgment interest bill. We have spent not an undue amount of time, but some time in heavy debate on the bill. Senator Landis proposed an alternative plan. It had some merit. Some of those ideas he had in his plan are incorporated in the prejudgment amendments we have finally adopted. I would like to alert the body to this fact. If the bill would happen to advance, it is my intent and I think the intent of the supporters of the bill to put on the bill an amendment on Select File that would deal with the issue of whether this type of thing, prejudgment interest, should apply to noncasualty companies, noncasualty issues, for example, the medical and health people such as Blue Cross and the intent is to say, no, it shall not and will not apply to those because there is no real problem in that field. The problem and the real issue is in the casualty field and that's where we hope to have the bill apply. It would appear that I'm stalling by talking about these things and that is correct because there were five people missing and I'm gradually watching and counting and praying and hoping because I don't want to get in the same situation we did last night when there were nine gone and so I would just casually ask the Clerk of that number of people that are missing. Do we have any indication that they're within reasonable range?

PRESIDENT: There are three excused at the present time, Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Oh, yes, something else I can talk about. Of course, there is jury instructions in the bill.

PRESIDENT: Today is April 16th, too.

SENATOR DECAMP: It requires jury instructions. We've received some information and we would intend if the bill is