

they're going to come back and say, Legislature, why in the heck did you have those people put up a sign, and I went by the sign and I lost my money, and now you are not going to do anything about it, I'd like to be made whole like the people who invested in Commonwealth. I think we should be careful about a bill like this. I don't know exactly what to do about it. But when we do tamper with situations with money, guaranteeing that you will be safe by accepting this wheat or corn or whatever you are doing, and then say, well, we put up a sign so that certain people are responsible. You do as you darn well please. I'm saying if people want to be a banker, then let him operate like a banker. You can't go out there and do business like a banker, not getting credit reports, not getting financial reports, not knowing anything about the people you are dealing with, and take a chance and expect the Legislature to make you whole. I'm not ready to go on this bill by a long way yet, and I hope you aren't either because I think we should be cautious when we are guaranteeing payment or guaranteeing that something is fully paid for, you have nothing to worry about. I think those who are doing that are taking a big chance. I'm suggesting that we be careful about a bill like this again. I've made one dumb mistake and I don't want to make another one. If I can help it, I'll not go for this bill, not even knowing if it is the thing to do. I really think we are skating on, as Senator Venditte once said one time I think we are skating on thin water, I think we are skating on thin water when we do something like this. So I'd be care...First of all, in regard to the Haberman amendment, I suggest you go somewhere in between. Ten thousand bucks, a year in prison, you know they are not going to do that. On the other hand, one year, \$1,000 fine, what the heck, they'll waive the prison sentence and give them a little dinky fine, and he's off on his way. So I advise you to be careful.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, I oppose the amendment and I oppose it vigorously. The amendment harkens back to that old theory, that some people have in here, that you can solve any problem simply by making a fierce, fierce penalty. You solve drunken drivers by mandatorily locking up them up for a year. You solve marijuana possession by sentencing them to life in prison, like they did in Texas up until a few years ago. What they have discovered is that you do not