

PRESIDENT: The amendment is withdrawn.

CLERK: The next amendment is offered by Senator's Hannibal, Hall and DeCamp on page 2241.

PRESIDENT: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Yield right now to Senator DeCamp.

PRESIDENT: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, once again it is the last day so I'm going to be as brief and hope we will all take this posture. I think the votes are here either way and I don't think a word that is going to be spoken by me or anybody else is going to change one single vote. The contest on this bill is whether this amendment is adopted or the amendment is going to be offered by, I don't know, I'm going to guess Senator Barrett or somebody. This amendment embodies or contains the prejudgment interest concept and principle. It additionally embodies all the compromises that have been reached so far. You may remember, you may remember that we had compromises on time limits, we had compromises on who's involved, we had compromises on whether it applies to such things as Blue Cross/Blue Shield, it embodies all of these. It is not vague, which you are going to hear. It is not confusing. I think it is very straightforward, yet it is flexible. I would simply say I ask you to adopt it and I think we could debate one hour, one day or one week, either the votes are here or they are not on one side or the other and I would go on to Senator Hall if he wants the balance of my time or whatever he wants to say.

PRESIDENT: There is an amendment to the amendment on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Barrett would move to amend Senator DeCamp's amendment. (Barrett amendment is found on pages 2615-16 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Thank you, Mr. President and members. This is an effort to make, in my opinion, a bad bill just a