

their legs. I have tremendous personal and human sympathy for that person. But if that person is economically able to pay for a license, they ought to do it and I hope that it is not regarded as being scrooge-like or without human sympathy for people who deserve that, but I wouldn't necessarily give an economic benefit unless there was an economic need for it. I am going to oppose the amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you. Senator Labeledz. Okay, Senator Schmit and then Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Yes, I would just want to say in response to Senator Landis's remarks that we know that he is a kind and generous individual and certainly would be responsive to those in need. However, the committee did respond to a request from a fellow legislator to introduce this amendment to another bill which was introduced by myself and Senator Labeledz and I feel the amendment has merit and I will still support the amendment and I ask you to support the amendment and I am sure that Senator Hartnett might have a few words to say also.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I am the one that submitted the amendment with the one thing because a problem with one of my constituents was that they could not park in the handicap place and I think that is where it was. And the only time you can park in the handicap place is when you have the license plate that shows the wheelchair and so that is the reason for the one limb gone and so that is why it was added to the amendment. I think it is...we are really talking about a very, very small number as far as the government is concerned and when we are talking about millions of dollars I think we are really getting to be rather niggardly in this body, so I think that I urge you to support the amendment. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Thank you, Senator Hartnett. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Mr. Chairman, I don't want to talk this bill to death but I have a quick question for Senator Hartnett. Will the intent...if this amendment is adopted, will it increase the number of people who are able to use the handicap parking spots?

SENATOR HARTNETT: I imagine, yes.