

The doctor who will get drunk or who may even use narcotics and maybe he's under a lot of pressure and doesn't just have character defects. The lawyer who just sold out his client, who just plundered a widow's estate, who just stole from orphans, that may bother him because he may get caught. So it is necessary for him to seek the solace of alcohol or drugs. Such a scoundrel as that will be spared the lifting of his or her drivers license. I don't think that should be. So my amendment, and I tell you frankly what it is designed to do in my opinion, but you may see it as accomplishing something else, is to strike at the elitists in the same way we struck at the common persons the other day. When we are on these kind of subjects I'll often quote Abraham Lincoln's statement that God must have really loved the common man because he made so many of them. He should have added, woman too. Why should these people be able to come in and say that my car is essential to my job and be allowed to drive, but the cab driver and the truck driver cannot? By now it should be clear to everybody what the thrust of this bill is. There are lawyers who have certain clients and they want to be able to make money from these clients by telling them I'll be able to get you a license to drive in your employment. So if that is the purpose of the bill, you can strike the language that I'm talking about without hurting what the real intent of the bill is anyway. So to tell you again what the amendment does, if any of you came in late, on page 13 there is language which would apply this bill to those who are self-employed and I don't think that ought to be done. So I'm asking that you vote yes on this amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. President and colleagues, I rise in strong opposition to this amendment. Senator Chambers is angry about an amendment we adopted a few days ago to take out large truck drivers, tractor-trailer combinations, trucks of over 50,000 pounds and cab drivers. Because he is angry at the fact that we took those out of the bill, he wants to strike back and take out the self-employed out of the bill because, he says, the self-employed have not contributed anything to Americana. The self-employed, the doctors, the lawyers, he says, haven't contributed to Americana so they are not entitled to the benefits of this bill. Well, let me ask Senator Chambers about the self-employed carpenter that works as an independent