

way, would you rather that this amendment be in the bill or out of the bill?

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Senator Chambers, if I could have my way, I think we've got to keep it in the bill so we can be sure the bill gets passed and passes a large majority of people that would qualify. I say that with mixed feelings, Senator Chambers. I say it with mixed feelings, but there's an awful lot of people out there. I've got the figures here on a number of arrests and convictions last year and the year before. There are an awful lot of people out there hurting and we need to get something through to benefit those people and, if we've got to make legislative compromises, we've got to do it. That's the fact of life.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you, Senator Hoagland. That means, if we have six children who are starving, Senator Hoagland says what the Legislature should do is arbitrarily pick two of them and say, you will continue to starve and we will feed these others when it is within the power of the Legislature to feed all of them. We have the power as a Legislature not to do the thing that was done with that amendment. I could tell you what to do with the trucking industry or the cab people, and I'm not talking about the drivers, but I won't do that. I hope you will adopt this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Nichol.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I support Senator Chambers' amendment. I don't blame the truckers for what they attempted to have done the other day because the bill is so obnoxious to them that they insisted on their amendment and I generally do support the trucking industry and wish them well. They are part of our industry and it is necessary that they make money to help others make money. This amendment was not done by the Judiciary Committee. Now, Senator Hoagland is president, is chairman of the Judiciary Committee and I have a high regard for the Judiciary Committee. Why wasn't this supported in the committee? Why wasn't this talked in the committee? Surely Senator Hoagland knew that this should have been discussed by the committee so that those testifying on the bill could address it, but no, as usual, here's come an old shot out of the brush saying, the committee didn't talk about this. This is my idea. Okay, so we have an amendment coming out