

the county court and the entire court automation project. The amount of the fee needed to cash...to fund the entire projected cost of that automation project is \$4. And although there was some conversation in the Judiciary Committee whether that \$4 was needed and it went to 3, \$4 is what is needed, but, at this point in time, I guess we can get the committee amendments adopted at 3 we'll go from there and we'll have to add or subtract from that point in time.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Abboud, on this portion of the committee amendments.

SENATOR ABOUD: Mr. President, Mr. Speaker, colleagues, I support the committee amendments adoption of \$3 on the fee.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Abboud. Any further discussion? Senator Chambers. Mr. Clerk, an amendment.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would amend this portion of the committee amendments by striking "three" and inserting "two". (FA215 appears on page 2138 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, this is one of those bills which I oppose in general, but rather than arrive at the conclusion that no accord can be reached on it at all, I'm offering an amendment that reduces the fee from \$4 to \$2. What I had intended to attempt to do was to have an amendment attached which would say that in any case involving a citation which allowed a person to execute a waiver, which means you plead guilty and you just pay the court costs and the fine without going to court, this increase in fee, whatever it turns out to be, would not apply to those waivers, my thought being that the person who signs the waiver does not take any of the court's time. There is no trial so, as a result, the judge's time is not taken, the prosecutor's time is not taken, the bailiff's time is not taken, or any other of the other employees who have to fill out paper work pursuant to an actual trial regardless of how it turns out. There was an attempt by Senator Lindsay and Senator Wickersham to draft some amendments that would lower the court cost but generate some money to help with this automation by means of another source of money. That amendment has not been drafted yet, or those amendments. So what I'm going to do to get the ball rolling in