SENATE SMALL BUSINESS COMMITTEE

MINUTES

APRIL 17, 1981

The Senate Small Business Committee met on Friday, April 17, 1981, at 10:00 a.m. The Chairman, Senator R. P. "Bo" Thomas presided.

The following members were present: Senators Thomas, Creech, Allred, Baker, Boger, Duncan, Frye, Lawing, Marvin, Noble, Smith, and Walker. Members absent: Senators Cavanagh and Marion.

Chairman Thomas recognized Mr. Samuel H. Johnson, attorney from Raleigh, North Carolina, who made a few remarks regarding Senate Bill 203, An Act to Exempt Certain Property and Income of a North Carolina Debtor from the Claims of Creditors. Mr. Johnson suggested that a cap be set on the exemptions and commented on ads that are being placed in newspapers advertising bankruptcies. (Copy of ad, Attachment No. 1.)

After a short discussion among the members concerning the exemptions, Senator Lawing made a motion that the Chairman appoint a subcommittee to study this bill, seconded by Senator Baker.

Senator Thomas appointed Senator Duncan Chairman of the Subcommittee, with Senators Frye, Baker, and Creech serving on the committee.

The Chairman recognized Mr. William C. Lawton, an attorney in Raleigh, who requested that the subcommittee consider his recommendation for a committee substitute for Senate Bill 203. (See Attachment No. 2.)

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

R. P. "Bo" Thomas

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Chairman

Joan W. Van Tilburg Committee Clerk

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Family Feud All in the Family

Edith is confronted with a rapist and a life-threatening trauma on the eve of her surprise birthday party. (Part

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7:00 p.m.

2 Little House on the Prairie Albert's 14-year-old girlfriend is sexually assaulted by an unidentified man. (Part 1) (CC)

America: Lost and Found

11 JOIN THE TEAM! WATCH WHITE SHADOW

Advertisement

The White Shadow Coach Reeves and one of his ballplayers learn the hard way that a lie

can get one in big trouble.

B That's Incredible

A one-armed boxer; a ghostly hitchhiker who haunts a Chicago highway; the world's mightiest mini-jet.

College Baskerball Kansas vs. Missouri

Solid Gold

7:55 p.m.

Wall Street Journal Business Report

8:00 p.m.

2 Movie

'Midnight Lace" (Premiere) Mary Crosby, Gary Frank. A television news reporter is driven to the brink of insanity by a nameless, faceless

G Great Performances

Guests of the Nation" Frank Converse and Estelle Parsons star in this dramatization of Frank O'Connor's short story set in Ireland in 1921 revolving around a pair of Irish insurgents and the two captured British soldiers they are ordered to guard.

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Klinger gives the staff a new perspective on the war when he starts his own camp newspaper.

(E) Movie

John Steinbeck's East of Eden" (Part 2) (Premiere) Jane Seymour, Timothy Bottoms. Cathy's and Adam's marriage begins to disintegrate after the birth of their twin sons and she runs away to work in the bordello of a well-known madam. (Network advises parental discretion)

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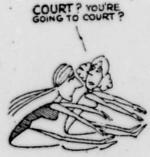














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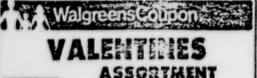




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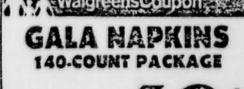














allowing is William C. Lawton's proposed substitute to Senate Bill 203. Lawton stated he felt this would be fair to creditors and reasonable to debtors. These exemptions relate only to equity interests. Secured creditors retain their rights and must be paid.

(If you should wish to contact Mr. Lawton, his phone number is 832-9661)
Section 1. G.S. 1-369 is rewritten to read:

The following property may be retained subject to the claims of secured creditors:

- equity
 (1) The debtor's aggregate-interest, not to exceed \$7,500 in value,
 in real property er-personal-property that the debtor or a dependent of
 the debtor uses as a residence, in a cooperative that owns property that the
 debtor or a dependent of the debtor uses as a residence, or in a burial plot
 for the debtor or a dependent of the debtor.
- (2) The debtor's interest, not to exceed \$1,200 in value, in one sotor vehicle.
- equity

 (3) The debtor's interest, not to exceed \$200 in value in any
 particular item, in household furnishing, household goods, wearing apparel,
 appliances, books, animals, crops, or musical instruments, that are held
 primarily for the personal, family, or household use of the debtor or a
 dependent of the debtor, provided that exemptions allowed herein shall not
 exceed \$5,000.00 in equity in such property.
- (4) The debtor's aggregate interest, not to exceed \$500 in value, in jewelry held primarily for the personal, family, or household use of the debtor or a dependent of the debtor.
- (5) The debtor's aggregate interest, not to exceed in value \$400.00 plus-any-unused-amount-of-the-exemption-provided-under-paragraph-(1)-of-this subsection, in any property.
 - (6) The debtor's aggregate interest, not to exceed \$750 in value,

in any implements, professional books, or tools, of the trade of the debter or the trade of a dependent of the debtor.

(7) Any unmatured life insurance contract owned by the debtor, other than a credit life insurance contract,

(8) The debtor's aggregate interest, not to exceed in value \$4,000 less any amount of property of the estate transferred in the manner specified in section 542(d) of this title, in any accrued dividend or interest under, or loan value of, any unmatured life in-meance contract owned by the debtor under which the insured is the debtor or an individual of whom the debtor is a dependent.

(9) Professionally prescribed health aids for the debtor or a

dependent of the debter.

(10) The debtor's right to receive -

(A) a social security benefit, unemployment compensation, or a local public assistance benefit;

(B) a veterans' benefit;

C) a disability, illness, or unemployment benefit;

(D) alimony, support, or separate maintenance, to the extent reasonably necessary for the support of the debtor and

any dependent of the debtor;

(E) a payment under a stock bonus, pension, profitsharing, annuity, or similar plan or contract on account of illness, disability, death, age, or length of service, to the extent reasonably necessary for the support of the delstor and any dependent of the debtor, unless

(i) such plan or contract was established by or under the auspices of an insider that employed the debtor at the time the debtor's rights under such plan or contract arese;

(ii) such payment is on account of age or length of

(iii) such plan or contract does not qualify under section 401(a), 403(a), 403(b), 403, or 409 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 (26 U.S.C 401(a), 403(a), 403(b). 408, or 409).

(11) The debtor's right to receive, or property that is traceable to-

(A) an award under a crime victim's reparation law; (B) a payment on account of the wrongful death of an individual of whom the debtor was a dependent, to the extent reasonably necessary for the support of the debtor and any dependent of the debtor;

(C) a payment under a life insurance contract that insured the life of an individual of whom the debtor was a dependent on the date of such individual's death, to the extent reasonably necessary for the support of the debtor and any dependent of the debtor;

(D) a payment, not to exceed \$7,500, on account of personal bodily injury, not including pain and suffering or compensation for actual pecuniary loss, of the debtor or an individual of whom the debtor is a dependent; or

(E) a payment in compensation of loss of future earnings of the debtor or an individual of whom the debtor is or was a dependent, to the extent reasonably necessary for the sup-

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