

ANGRY CLASH

Floor Fight Predicted On Drunk Driving Bill

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"Topsy Driver Bill Staggers." The impish humor of this banner headline on the front page of a Sacramento newspaper points up only too well the tough time being given the administration bill on blood tests for alleged drunken drivers. The Senate measure, which encountered problems in getting out of its house of origin, caused a real Donnybrook when it came up for hearing in the Assembly Criminal Procedures Committee.

In perhaps the angriest clash of our 1966 sessions, proponents and opponents of the bill hurled strong accusations of unfair tactics at each other. To the dismay of the Senate author of the bill, it was left in committee at the end of the hearing, though it was agreed that a rehearing would be given it the next day, when enough affirmative votes were expected to send it out.

AS I HAVE previously explained in this column, the bill provides that the granting of a license to drive a motor vehicle carries with it the implied consent of the holder to tests for the determining of his sobriety; if he is detained for alleged drunken driving.

Administration law enforcement agencies support the

measure on the ground that its enactment would strengthen control over driving while drunk. Opponents argue that it would not deter motorists from drinking, then driving. They also contend its passage would violate "the fundamental Anglo-Saxon right" of the individual to protect the privacy of his body.

A spokesman for the Teamsters Union declared that drinking is on the increase, but so is social disease. He asked, "Does this mean that before I get a marriage license, I must give my implied consent to take a blood test every time a law enforcement officer asks me to?"

THE SITUATION in the

first hearing was unusual, and explosive. It was evident from the start that proponents of the bill had the necessary six votes necessary to send it out with a favorable recommendation. However, one supporter announced that he would have to leave the meeting early, because of a previous commitment.

The committee chairman pressed for a vote before this member was obliged to leave. The leader of the opposition bitterly accused the chair of trying to deny his side the right to speak, and of attempting to railroad the bill out of committee. In turn, the opposition was accused of filibustering to avoid a vote.

DURING discussion of the bill two significant amendments were adopted. The first would establish an upper and a lower limit for drunkenness. Anyone with an alcoholic content in his blood of more than .15 of one per cent would be presumed drunk. Anyone with a similar content of less than .10 of one per cent would be presumed sober.

The second amendment would provide for an advisory committee to study the effect of the new test program on drunk driving, if the bill is enacted into law. In effect, this change would suggest that the program be evaluated in the light of positive results, and that it be eliminated if it is shown to be ineffective.

At the rehearing on the measure, it was reported out favorably by the Criminal Procedure Committee. It is now expected to pass the Assembly, but not without some floor argument.

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