SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549 SCHEDULE 13G (Rule 13d-102) INFORMATION TO BE INCLUDED IN STATEMENTS FILED PURSUANT TO RULES 13d-1(b) AND (c) AND AMENDMENTS THERETO FILED PURSUANT TO 13d-2(d) (AMENDMENT NO. 1) RENTERS CHOICE, INC. (Name of Issuer) COMMON STOCK, \$.01 PAR VALUE (Title of Class of Securities) 76 0114 10 8 (CUSIP Number) (Continued on the following page(s)) Page 1 of 4 Pages CUSIP No. 76 0114 10 8 SCHEDULE 13G Page of 4 Pages Name of Reporting Person 1) S. S. or I. R. S. Identification No. of Above Persons Mark E. Speese SSN: 373 58 7437 2) Check the Appropriate Box if a Member of a Group (See Instructions) (a) [] (b) [] _ _____ 3) SEC Use Only - ------4) Citizenship or Place of Organization United States _ _____ _____ _____ Number of (5) Sole Voting Power 2,528,432 Shares Bene-_____ ficially Owned by (6) Shared Voting Power _____ Reporting _____ Person With (7) Sole Dispositive Power 2,528,432 _____ (8) Shared Dispositive Power _____ 9) Aggregate Amount Beneficially Owned by Reporting Person 2,528,432 _____ 10) Check if the Aggregate Amount in Row (9) Excludes Certain Shares (See Instructions) [] _____ 11) Percent of Class Represented by Amount in Row (9) 10.1% 12) Type of Reporting Person (See Instructions) IN _____

The Schedule 13G filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on February 14, 1997 (the "Original Schedule 13G") on behalf of Mark E. Speese in connection with the common stock, par value \$0.01 per share (the "Common Stock") of Renters Choice, Inc., a Delaware corporation (the "Company"), is hereby amended to reflect a change in the percentage ownership of the Company beneficially owned by Mr. Speese. Unless otherwise defined, all capitalized terms used herein shall have the same meanings set forth in the Original Schedule 13G.

ITEM 4 IS HEREBY AMENDED AND RESTATED TO READ AS FOLLOWS:

ITEM 4. OWNERSHIP:

Mr. Speese owns 2,528,432 shares of Common Stock of the Company (the "Shares"), approximately 10.1% of the Common Stock outstanding. Mr. Speese has sole power to vote, direct the vote, dispose or direct the disposition of the Shares.

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After reasonable inquiry and to the best of my knowledge and belief, I certify that the information set forth in this statement is true, complete and correct.

March 3, 1998

/s/ MARK E. SPEESE -----Mark E. Speese

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