The Entertainer

Don Sebesky

I am the entertainer and I know just where I stand
Another serenader and another longhaired band
Today I am your champion, I may have won your hearts
But I know the game, you'll forget my name
And I won't be here in another year
If I don't stay on the charts
I am the entertainer and I've had to pay my price
The things I did not know at first
I learned by doing twice
But still they come to haunt me, still they want their say
So I've learned to dance with a hand in my pants
And I rub my neck and I write em a check
And they go their merry way
I am the entertainer, I bring to you my songs
I'd like to spend a day or two but I can't stay that long
I got to meet expenses ,I got to stay in line
Got to get those fees to the agencies
And I'd love to stay but there's bills to pay
so I just don't have the time

I am the entertainer, I've come to do my show
You've heard my latest record spin on the radio
It took me years to write it, they were the best years of my life
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If you're gonna have a hit you gotta make it fit
So they cut it down to 3:05
I am the entertainer, the idol of my age
I make all kinds of money when I go on the stage
You see me in the papers, I've been in the magazines
But if I go cold, I won't get sold
I get put in the back in the discount rack
Like another can of beans
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