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PRESIDENT: Motion fails.

CLERK: I have another one, Mr. President. Mr. President, I move to amend LB 528, on Page 5, Line 24, strike "eight", insert "twelve". Signed Senator Mills.

PRESIDENT: Senator Mills.

SENATOR MILLS: Mr. President, members of the body, I think this amendment will really shape this bill into effect. No, seriously, it has been...it has been, what should I say, rumored here that it is going to help the policyholder and this is exactly what I want to do. In fact, I have a letter from one of the lobbyist that says the current 6% limitation increases the cost of life insurance. So if it increases it, let's raise it to 12 and help further lower the premium. I think this would be a very good idea. 12% would help those people who are borrowing money from borrowing money and that way consequently give more profit to the company and to pay back the mutuals and stockholders benefit. I think it would help for overall economy. Those people that was alluded to that shouldn't be borrowing money because they have this cash value built up, and if something should happen to them, they have borrowed all the money and they wouldn't have any money left, well, this takes away any thought from their part and keeps them in their little box where they are suppose to be. I ask you to accept this amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Stoney.

SENATOR STONEY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I hope that the members in this body can understand what Senator Mills is attempting to do with this particular amendment. I won't even dignify it by even going into it any further and I would certainly hope that you would defeat the amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cavanaugh.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Well, can I ask Senator Stoney a question? What's wrong with Senator Mills logic that if 8% will reduce the premium and give more earnings, why wouldn't 12% reduce the premium more and give even more earnings to policyholders?

SENATOR STONEY: I don't think 12% is even an amount that can be considered and I do feel that if it went to 12% that it would.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Well, why not? Seriously, why not?

SENATOR STONEY: I don't know, Senator Cavanaugh, seriously, why not. I don't know.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Then how do you know about 8%?

PRESIDENT: He answered he didn't know, Senator Cavanaugh. Senator Mills, did you want to respond to Senator Stoney? Your closing argument.

SENATOR MILLS: Absolutely not. I call for the question.