

called it a farce, a sham, and that is exactly what it is because it wouldn't really accomplish the sort of goals that those who want to limit our property taxes and our taxation in general would have achieved in this state. It seems as though we are nothing more than trying to rush through some proposals here that need some more evaluation, that need to be considered very carefully, and it is late in the session, and it is very easy to vote yes on things like this, but certainly let's not suspend the rules and take it up at this time. The issues have been before committees. They languish in committees or languish on the floor because there isn't support for them. Let's go on with other matters that are up on Select and Final Reading. There is too many things for us to do the last five days anyway besides taking up this issue when it is not ready for action. And the sort of things that Senator Fenger and Senator DeCamp are talking about, I don't think this issue is going to be resolved with this resolution. I think that we are going to be working on those problems. There is going to be better solutions that we are going to find and let's proceed with these other issues before we get bogged down with this one.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I don't think I can support Senator DeCamp's motion. Now, frankly, I would like to have seen LB 17 come up with the amendments that Senator DeCamp has offered in LB 17 which I think would have provided a policy issue of some significance. But the proposal here, LR 337, is not written in the way that I can be supportive of, and the question that I have to make and each one of us has to make is whether we want to put this resolution up on Final Reading where it takes one more vote to send it to the people or whether or not we would, like some of us weak-kneed people, like to try to amend it a little bit to make it a little more tolerable. Now I have a sense, I have a sense that if this motion passes, it is going to mean that we are going to be sending this off for the people to vote on, and maybe in fact that would be a nice thing, but I think we have to remember that every time we offer the public an opportunity