

about the bracketing of the bill?

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Senator Carsten did come to me and asked me if we should bracket it because he knew I was raising a very sensitive issue. I said, yes, we probably should. Then Senator Chambers came and said, how about this amendment? It happens that the Chambers amendment is pretty much what the committee had worked out in the first instance that got repudiated by the floor the first time around because there were only 34 members here. We just didn't have 25 votes to put it on. Senator Carsten, in fact the Chambers amendment will do the job, and we wouldn't need to bracket the bill if the body would agree to adopt the amendment. So I would request, if you would like, that your bracket motion be withdrawn.

SPEAKER NICHOL: We are on the bracketing motion at the moment. Senator Carsten, would you like to close?

SENATOR CARSTEN: As a cooperative member of the Legislature, and at the request of both Senator Chambers and Senator Johnson, for the moment, at least, I would ask that my motion be withdrawn, Mr. President.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Now we are back to Senator Chambers' motion. Senator Labeledz. Senator Labeledz, did you want to speak to...we are back on the Chambers motion now. Okay. Senator Chambers, would you like to close on your motion? All right. The question is the adoption of the Chambers amendment. This is a motion to return, excuse me, that's right. The motion is to return the bill for a specific motion. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay. The bill is returned. Now, Senator Chambers, did you wish to make your motion?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I move the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Any discussion? If not, the question is the adoption of the Chambers amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.