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dealt with, whether it's on Final Reading or consent calendar, that wily trickster will take a bill of mine and either put it at the very bottom or near the bottom, to ensure that had I had a WMD hidden away--that's a weapon of mass destruction--I would think twice, because I would have to lay waste to that which is supposed to mean something to me. I had no WMDs today, not necessarily because I'm that concerned about the particular bills that have my name attached. On Final Reading, you see it's at the very bottom. If you look at consent calendar, it might be four or five from the bottom. So I want the Speaker to know I recognize what he did. I'm going to listen to the debate on what Senator Erdman has presented. And maybe I can be persuaded to have us do this in the correct way, by striking everything that I am proposing and substitute what the cub is offering. In the meantime, I shall repair to my lair, or my den, and just watch and see what happens. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Other discussion, motion to return for specific amendment? Senator Hudkins.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Thank you, Mr. President and members. With all due respect to Senator Erdman, I would challenge the germaneness of this particular amendment. This obviously is a different subject entirely. One has to do with who is presiding over the Legislature; the other has to do with a tax issue. I don't think it's germane. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Erdman, you may speak to the germaneness issue.

SENATOR ERDMAN: I will. I do think it is germane, because it also talks about who's presiding over this state's business. But in reality, Senator Hudkins, after hearing Senator Chambers' comments, when the time comes, the appropriate time, I would probably withdraw it, in the event, to try to follow his leadership. I guess in an event not to be collegial, I should have gutted his bill. But in reality, that with his concerns, I may withdraw it. So you can ask for the ruling if you would like. I do believe that it would be. There's a broad