

SENATOR CARSTENS: Mr. President and members, I am in favor of and I will vote in favor of abolishing smoking on the floor of the legislature, I wonder if we are going to do this in trying doing this we ought to be at least a little sensible about this if people want to smoke the members of the legislature who are supposed to be on the floor ought to be in the chamber, and those who smoke, if they go out of the chamber be gone all the time or half the time, we've got some mild smoking news men who like to take a, they ought to be present to hear what we have to say and I think it would be better if for the success of the venture to amend this and permit smoking under the balcony and in an effort to get this things taken care of.

SENATOR DUIS: Mr. President, Senator Carstens I think probably in response to what you have said it is a well known fact that we, during the course of legislative sessions here on things that are not agreeable and wish to be defeated, sometimes it's done by amendment and I can well envision probably as we go along to this that there will be many amendments that will come to this resolution and this change in rules before we get through including some which may not be desirable to either you or I in an effort that we do away with this, and I think that Senator Chambers was very reasonable this morning and he was very sensible in saying that he wanted just to let this go on it's merit and not with debate, because if we have debate on this I am quite assured that there will be quite a number of amendments that will be asked to be put on this change of the rules.

SPEAKER: Matter of fact there is an amendment on the desk, let's read the amendment.

CLERK: Mister President I move to amend the resolution, the rule change to read, shirts and ties shall be worn on the floor of the legislature, signed Senator Burbach.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: Mister President and members of the legislature, when this rule change was offered on the floor the other day, it was done with the benefit of dignity on the floor of the legislature, and if this is the purpose then I think when we want to have dignity here, we should come properly attired. I have visited with Senator Chambers about this, and I admit that this is directed toward him because he is the gentlemen who introduced the resolution in the resolution in the first place, so the rule change, I have told him that I would offer such an amendment this morning and I think if, we are doing this under the sake of dignity, then we should cover the field. I further believe that a room of this size, I don't know if it's 30 or 40 foot tall, that smoking in this size chamber is not bothersome to other people and should not be, so considered, if we are in a small room, I respect the rights of others, in this size room, I believe your infringing on the other's people, those of us who care to smoke, on our civil rights, civil liberties or whatever you may term it, and so I move for the adoption of this motion to the rule change.

SPEAKER: And now the amendment to this, Senator Marsh.

SENATOR MARSH: I'd like to say that I would prefer not wearing a shirt and tie and I would also like to comment that smoking even in a large chamber is disagreeable to many non-smokers.

SPEAKER: Thank you, Senator DeCamp did you wish to be recognized on this amendment?

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President and members of the legislature, Senator Chambers or anybody else's including Senator Marsh's failure to wear a coat and tie, doesn't injure me in any way, but cigarette smoke coming into my nostrils from two or three directions is definitely offensive and causes me pain personally, so I don't think the two things are equal in any since of the word.