

we can express or condemn it or report it or point with pride, or with horror, whatever, we decide. But if we are going to have a public hearing, it ought to be open to the public and I would say the dewer members of the legislature that are present, at the public hearing, the better it would be.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well the only, I just want to make a point of order, and I hope this body understands what this motion might do. You want to give to the Executive Council the right to hold hearings on bills that are suppose to refer, if you do, I'd welcome it. If you're going to do it this way, then you can't object in the future at any other requests. I first have to admit I'm prejudice, I don't think you ought to refer to the Executive Council, then to have it fair I think you ought to send it to the Education Committee, but your going to establish a precedent, you're going to say as a body from now on the Executive Board has a right to hold hearings instead of referring bills to specific committees. That's fine with me if you know what your doing.

SPEAKER: By way of clarification the Chair would at this time I think intervene to mention Senator Carpenter that it would be in the Chair's opinion, Senator Carstens, that your motion would have to require a suspension of the rules because there are not any provisions at least under the rules so adopted by the legislature to direct the Executive Board to hold a public hearing here. If you care to dialogue on that, that's fine but I would require at least until otherwise ordered that there would be a suspension of the rules and that 30 votes be required to facilitate your motion. Senator Carstens.

SENATOR CARSTENS: I move for a suspension of the rules in order to take up this matter at the present time.

SPEAKER: Thank you, we now have the motion, the Chair recognizes Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, it seems to me that we should not break precedent at this point that it's not in the rules, and apparently in the past the legislature has not felt to do this and I feel that we should vote it down.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes Senator Snyder.

SENATOR SNYDER: Mr. President and members of the body, I would support the statement just given by Senator Whitney, the precedent of course has been established and in our rules throughout we mention Standing Committees and I think that is precedent enough.

SPEAKER: Senator Nore.

SENATOR NORE: Mr. President and fellow members, I agree with Senator Carpenter and Senator Whitney, I think this motion is completely out of order the whole operation is out of order and I think any committee can hear this 204, it has some fiscal impact, it could be heard before the budget committee, so I think it is completely breaking away from precedent, what we have done in the past.

SPEAKER: The motion under discussion is Senator Carstens's motion to suspend the rules and assign LB 204 to the Executive Board, the Chair recognizes Senator Skarda, do you wish to be recognized? Senator Skarda, fine your passing. Senator Cal Carstens did you wish to be recognized, your passing, the Chair recognizes Senator Hasebrook.