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PRESIDENT: Well, it's the chair's understanding that there is even another amendment, also, pending.

SENATOR SAVAGE: Well, let's get it over with. I'd like to..I move it..can I move that it be heard?

PRESIDENT: You can move...sure, you can make a motion that it be considered at this time.

SENATOR SAVAGE: That's what I'm doing.

PRESIDENT: But I think the body needs to know that there are two pending motions on it. One by a man who is...one by a Senator who is not here today. Senator Goodrich, do you have some input.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes. Senator Savage, LB 286 is the abortion bill is bracketed for Monday. I would suggest, possible, the best course of action would be to take up LB 2..23 just prior to 286 on Monday.

PRESIDENT: All right. Senator Kennedy. Thank you for your suggestion, Senator Goodrich. Senator Kennedy.

SENATOR KENNEDY: I might say, if it's proper, the one amendment offered there by Senator Richard Lewis I would be happy to handle and I am sure it will be all right as far as Senator Lewis, if we could like to take up LR 23, I think it would be real good.

PRESIDENT: Thank you, Senator Kennedy. Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Clerk read the two amendments.

CLERK: The amendments are as follows: The one by Senator Richard Lewis--read. Really what the Lewis amendment would do, apparently, is strike the original Resolution and insert the following: Read.

SENATOR CARPENTER: May I suggest, Mr. President, that Senator Kennedy attempt to explain the reason and the purpose and what it does in order to change the original Resolution.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kennedy, do you care to respond?

SENATOR KENNEDY: Yes, I think and I did not have the amendment before me at this time but it is my understanding that the word where we had in the original by extending.. let's see..the unborn human life by extending the same constitutional rights. We would put appropriate constitutional rights. We were trying to change the wording there so that it would be clearer in fact. It doesn't really change...I don't have the amendment before me but that's my understanding because we discussed this when it was printed. We felt that the words in there...and' then the same would be in the following line where it says to the unborn and change the word same and put appropriate.

PRESIDENT: Stand by just a moment here. I suppose it is proper for the chair to observe that this amendment is something that probably ought to be printed in the Journal but that is only a suggestion. Stand by, Senator Carpenter. There was only one copy of the motion available and the clerk had it here, so that's really asking Senator Kennedy quite a little bit to explain something when he doesn't have the motion in front of him. Senator Cal Carsten, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, a point of information, sir. I wonder, it wouldn't take but a little bit to have copies of these ran off so that each one of us can have one. Could that not be done, sir?