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We have Senator Anderson's explanation of his amendment. Senator Stahmer's amendment and then we will vote on the issues separately unless there is some strong opposition from the floor in that I don't know how else to handle this as it has developed in light of the issue itself. Now, Senator Anderson, do you want to speak on the Stahmer amendment here or do you want to explain your amendment and stand by, just a minute. Senator Carpenter, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR CARPENTER: A point of order.

PRESIDENT: Yes sir.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now, this morning we adopted the Committee amendments...'

PRESIDENT: Correct.

SENATOR CARPENTER: ..which are completed. Now it seems to me and I only ask this as a suggestion that we consider these amendments separately, each at a time...

PRESIDENT: Yes sir.

SENATOR CARPENTER: We consider now the Stahmer amendment, either vote it up or down. Then consider Senator Anderson's bill up or down or any other amendment in a like position. Otherwise, we are going to amend an amendment to amend another amendment. We are going to be more confused than I think we probably are now. We might as well determine these things as we go rather than on somewhat of an accumulative bases. I only offer that as a suggestion.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter, the chair concurs with you except that the chair feels that because these two amendments, the Senator Anderson's amendment strikes part of the Stahmer amendment, that the two should be considered as separate issues but that before we vote on either issue at least Senator Anderson should have the right to explain his amendment. Now if we are essentially in agreement on that, then we have agreement and that is all that the chair needs in this particular instance.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I have no objection. May I ask Senator Anderson a question?

PRESIDENT: Yes sir. Senator Anderson, will you yield to a question from Senator Carpenter?

SENATOR ANDERSON: Yes, go ahead.

SENATOR CARPENTER: To what extent does your amendment differ from Senator Mtahmer's?

SENATOR ANDERSON: The...there are three basic issues of difference. One is the point of viability, the definition of viability. Another is the method of abortion that is permissible after the point of viability has been reached. The third basic variance is the inclusion of protection of hospital staff members in our bill where it is not included in the Stahmer amendment. At other points, we are dealing with the same language so, it's a case of except for making a decision on those three issues, we are going to have to adopt either Senator Stahmer's set of amendments or my set because they are both dealing with the same area.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well to pursue the matter, then, yours does overlap in to his amendment to some extent?

SENATOR ANDERSON: Yes, they would be..in all other areas,