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PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Chambers, and did you hear the previous discussion Senator Chambers, on that Senator Carpenter made his motion which would move us towards or propel us towards General File?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If that is the feeling of the body, I do not object to that at all, so I will just hold mine until we see how that will be handled.

PRESIDENT: Are you willing to hold yours until tomorrow?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

PRESIDENT: Thank you sir. Alright, lay that one over. Are there any other motions on the desk?

CLERK: None.

PRESIDENT: Alright then that moves us then to General File consideration

(end belt #4)

(start belt #5)

(malfunction)

CLERK: (Read bill)

SENATOR CARPENTER: Mr. President, I think that there is an amendment pending on the Clerk's desk, isn't there?

CLERK: Senator Waldron asked unanimous consent to have his name added. There are no committee amendments. There is now an amendment by Senator Carpenter and some other amendments, Mr. President.

SENATOR CARPENTER: The amendments that I have on the Clerk's desk is now the bill if you adopt it. I have put on each member's desk a copy of the amendment which was passed out this morning. Now all the bill proposes to do is to raise from 90% of the first 15,000 of actual valuation to 100%. That will increase the amount now necessary to fund what we have already authorized 10%. And that will increase the appropriations for this particular subject if you desire to adopt it, it will be about a million and a quarter dollars, that is all the amendment does, it automatically becomes a bill and then this amendment, if adopted, becomes the bill and other amendments I understand the Clerk has would then in position be adopted or rejected.

SPEAKER PROUD: Senator Murphy?

SENATOR MURPHY: A question of Senator Carpenter. On the second page of your amendment Senator, if I am reading the right one, it gets into a discussion of increasing veterans pensions at age 70 and it is increasing by a 45% this sort of thing, a pension at the front page of the bill, when a man is 70 would be 100%. I wonder if possibly more material should be stricken?

SENATOR CARPENTER: That I can not answer but I would presume and I will see to it that it gets to the area where they correct the bill that is taken into consideration. And that is the matter in the law as it now is. The only thing that I am attempting to do and the only thing that I think I am doing is just to raise that one provision for the age who can comply for 90-100% of actual valuation.