

SENATOR SCHMIT: The only way to respond is to say that my bill provides \$175 for the mother and the first child and \$35 for each succeeding child. The other bill provides a \$165 for the mother and first child and \$40 for each other child. My bill gives a few more dollars, a very few more dollars to the average family. That is all that my bill does, and I believe that it is a more equitable bill. I think that it is the bill we should go with.

PRESIDENT: Question is do you want to suspend the rules and take up LB977 with 834. All those in favor of the motion vote aye, those opposed vote no. This is the motion to suspend the rules made by Senator Kennedy in order to take up LB977 along with 834. All those in favor vote aye, if not vote no. Well now, have you all voted? Senator Kennedy?

SENATOR KENNEDY: I suppose in order to consider it along with the other one, we should probably have an opportunity here to have all of the people voting and I hate to delay it any further I am just hoping that we do support it enough so that we can discuss it intelligently.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter changing from nay to aye. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 30 ayes, 4 nays.

PRESIDENT: OK, the motion prevails.

CLERK: Read Richendifer motion.

SENATOR RICHENDIFER: Mr. President, members of the legislature, I'll a...a...all this will do is to make everyone feel a little bit better that has a bill underlined. In a...a...if they are in order they can tell about how far they are down the line, maybe there would be a little better feeling in here. I so move.

PRESIDENT: Senator Duis.

SEANTOR DUIS: I merely want to ask Mr. President, as Chairman of the rules committee, we have juggled these things forward and backward this morning and I don't know how in the world that I or the Lt. Gov. Marsh or with the help of Vince are even going to keep track of you now. It is going to be a real problem now. Let me bring this one point forward. It seems to me that we had agreed that the budget bills were going to be taken up and we were going to get a budget passed. I understood this morning that an attempt would be made to help get these bills on General File so that they could be discussed this morning and when we met this afternoon we would get back at the budget bill. We spend all morning a long just arguing. We haven't even gotten to these bills with the line. Now my question Mr. President, because I am sure that during then course of this I'm going to be called upon. Are we going to abandon the budget bills and take up these bills now and we are going to proceed on them all day long? That is the only thing that I can think of. Now would you please give us the Chair's decision as to the order of the business or I would ask that the Speaker of the Legislature, one of the two of you one of a...a...the order of business for the remainder of the day because we are not going to have any budget bill apparently.