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SENATOR BURBACH: Yeah, about three hours late. Possibly. Yesterday afternoon I did have this button pushed a long time and I'm sure Senator DeCamp did not, he just jumped up and asked to adjourn. And you recognize him as such. This is why I'm very disturbed this morning. Senator Warner has withdrawn the amendment I was going to speak to the amendment. I think it was a very badly timed amendment to a bill, LB632, with three days remaining in the Legislature. Had it been the third day of a session, it may have been appropriate and had a public hearing. But I think we're clear off base with that amendment and this is what I wanted to address myself to yesterday.

PRESIDENT: Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. If we...I'm going to speak in favor of Senator Maresh's motion. To move this bill across without further amendments. If we open this up for amendments, you're going to have every amendment on the sales tax possible. We will not get through here in time for the staff, for Emory Burnett's staff, to take care of these other bills. And so far as Warner's amendment is concerned, if we're going to raise the sales tax, there's going to be plenty of time to increase the food sales tax exemption. We...this Legislature can do it next year. And so there's no need for these extra amendments.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner. Senator R. Lewis.

SENATOR R. LEWIS: Well, Mr. President, I think this has been discussed for enough hours now. I think everyone's in agreement that they're heard about every possible angle involved here. I move the previous question.

PRESIDENT: The previous question's been moved. Does the Chair see five hands? Question is, shall the debate now close? All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote no. Motion is to close debate. Thank you. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, no nays.

PRESIDENT: Debate will now close. Senator Maresh may close. Senator Maresh is now closing on his motion to suspend the rules and advance LB632 without further amendments. Senator Maresh has the floor.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. In answer to Senator Chambers, he did not listen to me, to not put this on LB977. He pursued this and took a Roll Call vote and did all he could to amend LB977 so he cannot tell me now that I was telling him to consider it this time. I.... he went ahead and considered on LB977 so I think his argument is out of line. I think LB932 had it's day in court and I think we should go ahead and pass it on so this thing will be properly engrossed and get on Final Reading and pass. I move that it be advanced.

PRESIDENT: All right, the motion is to suspend the rules and advance LB632 without further amendments. All those in favor will vote aye. All those opposed will vote no. Motion is to suspend the rules and advance LB632 without further amendments. And the Chair would ask if you have all voted. Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: Mr. President, Call of the House.