

SENATOR VENDITTE: Yes, thank you, Mr. Speaker. Members of the Legislature, I have a couple of specific points, I think most significant points to make on this particular issue, and I would suspect that the first question that I have is going to be addressed to the Chair, Mr. Speaker, and twenty-four hours ago you had indicated that we would spend one hour on LB 316, and supposedly sometime in the interim you changed your mind, and Mr. Speaker, who directly came up to you and asked you to change the order?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Now do you...are you speaking to a motion? We...according to parliamentary procedure...I'll answer your question, but we need the motion, what is your motion?

SENATOR VENDITTE: Okay. Mr. Clerk would you read the motion, please?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Venditte moves to overrule the Speaker's order so as to take up LB 316 today.

SPEAKER VENDITTE: Okay, now that's your motion that you're speaking to?

SENATOR VENDITTE: Yes.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, now...

SENATOR VENDITTE: And I guess the question again is of the Chair, why did you do that, Mr. Speaker? Why did we change the...your Agenda for today?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, members of the Legislature and...let me speak to the change in the Special Order. When I was elected Speaker by this Legislature, I had only one promise to make to each member of this Legislature, and that was that everybody would be treated equally, whether they be introducers of legislation, or whether they requested opportunity to speak. I think I have kept that charge. Now, the change in order is not completely my responsibility, but if there is a fault that lies with me, and the fault lies with the fact that I constantly insist that the...especially the introducers of legislation, not only be informed when the bill is going to be taken up, but I also sincerely try to bring others, or give them information, that it's going to be taken up. In other words, in fairness to all sides, whether there are two sides or six sides, I think they all should be informed when a bill is going to be taken up. The mistake that was made as far as I was concerned was that one of the introducers, although the chief introducer, Senator DeCamp, Senator Labeledz,