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LB 365

SENATOR SIMON: Mr. President, members of the body,...

SPEAKER MARVEL: I am sorry. The House is under Call. Okay, go ahead.

SENATOR SIMON: Mr. President, members of the body, I find myself in kind of the unique position because I oppose the Omaha sales tax and yet I am going to try and protect those from their own stupidity. I don't think they are really realizing what they are doing. I would suggest that if you want to proceed and take a vote, Senator Labeledz, that you are going to find yourself hovering right around 22, 23 votes...

SPEAKER MARVEL: Excuse me, for what purpose do you arise, Senator Labeledz?

SENATOR LABEDZ: I just wanted to know, this morning on the capital punishment when I made the motion to indefinitely postpone, the Chair only gave me two minutes and no discussion. Does that ruling still hold?

SPEAKER MARVEL: No.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Why not, sir? I would like to know. I was told this morning that I had two minutes to respond to my indefinitely postpone, LB 262, and with no further debate....

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Labeledz, my only answer is this. I am the presiding officer and...

SENATOR LABEDZ: It makes a difference?

SPEAKER MARVEL: ...and I have recognized Senator Simon and Senator Simon will probably take five minutes. Actually the originator of a motion has ten and the person who wishes to speak after the originator of the motion has five.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator Marvel, I am certainly sorry that you weren't in the Chair this morning because I was given two minutes to indefinitely postpone 262 and no one else was allowed to speak. It seems like in the morning our rules are different than they are in the afternoon. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Simon.

SENATOR SIMON: I probably won't take more than two minutes.