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your light is on. Do you wish to...? Senator Merz, your light is on. Do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR MERZ: Mr. Speaker....

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are on the motion to bracket the bill until the 15th of May. Excuse me, just a minute. Senator Labedz, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR LABEDZ: Mr. Speaker, when you bracket a bill to a specific day, doesn't that take 30 votes?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Just a minute. 25.

SENATOR LABEDZ: You are setting the Speaker's orders. Doesn't that take 30 votes?

SPEAKER MARVEL: No, the fact of the matter is that as near as we can interpret the records, the Speaker is authorized to set an agenda. When it comes to bracketing legislation...in setting an agenda you do not have to pay attention to the bracketing. Senator Merz, do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Yes, I will take his place. I think we have played our hand out far enough. I am willing to take the shot at the God damned bill the way it is now. If I got the votes, I got them, if I don't, we don't. Let's go. You push this thing too far.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Merz, are you finished?

SENATOR MERZ: I guess.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. Speaker, I would like to inquire about bracketing a bill to a day certain which would be, the Legislature would vote in this instance, to put that on May 16th or that date. Are you saying that then the Speaker has the right to overrule the Legislatures action and not put that on?

SPEAKER MARVEL: I think... I'm just telling you what has been done in the past according to our knowledge and that is that that...yes, there have been issues that have been put on the agenda for a different time than the original bracket, yes, sir.