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of us understand exactly what that memorandum meant and so there should be no problem and we should vote on the bill. Every year it seems to me when we get to this point in time there is a rush to suspend the rules for that, to suspend the rules for this. I think we should not.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Merz, do you wish to be recognized?

SENATOR MERZ: Question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The question has been called for. Shall debate cease? I am looking for five hands, excuse me. Okay, I see them. Shall debate cease? All those in favor of ceasing debate vote aye, opposed no. Record.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the Chair recognizes Senator DeCamp on his suspension motion.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, time to blow it out real straight, isn't it? Real straight. You want to say I have got a dog bill and you want to say that it is a bad bill. You want to say you have got better ideas. Fine. You lost. You lost your doggoned bottle bill. You lost on the ballot. Now you can cry and complain and moan and do anything you want and you can say they beat the bottle bill because they had lots of money. Well, Sam, you're in here because you either did something right or wrong, had more money, something and maybe somebody thinks the other man is better and he should be here. The fact is you won the election. They won the election. The bottle bill was defeated in here and outside. The people indicated they wanted something. Polls have indicated that. Is this the best solution? Heck, I don't know. It is a solution. It has been tried. Financing is identical. The amount raised is identical. What is the difference? The mechanism for collecting it. I stated it before when we were debating the bill. I told you what the change was going to be. We were trying to find a simpler way of collection. That is the only difference. Senator Koch's amendment, I said, I don't care whether it goes on or off. It don't make a diddley-do of difference. The bill is identical. It didn't change anything. It satisfied Senator Koch. Fine. Make him happy. It clarified it for him. The point is the bill is identical in money raised, identical in purpose, identical in every way to what it was when you adopted it last time. The only difference is how you collect the money, whether you use a computer, whether you use this or that. Now let's talk about suspending the