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SENATOR DeCAMP: Question.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, all those in favor of adoption of the resolution as read by the Clerk vote aye.... Senator Simon, your light is on.

SENATOR SIMON: Mr. President....Mr. President, yes I had my light on because I want to speak to the resolution and I support it, but I believe there is a misstatement in there that I cannot support part of the resolution, and I wanted to briefly discuss it with Senator DeCamp. Senator DeCamp.

SPEAKER MARVEL: John.

SENATOR SIMON: I'm talking about your resolution. I have a problem with it. It's no big deal, but I believe the second or third phrase says that there is a definite oil shortage. John, I'm not convinced that there is. I think that you can get the point across that you want and I had an amendment to strike that phrase because I believe that the oil companies are maybe purposely holding back.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Then there's an oil shortage.

SENATOR SIMON: Well...

SENATOR DeCAMP: It don't matter who kept it from you, if you don't have it to put it wherever you need it, you're short of it.

SENATOR SIMON: Yes.

SENATOR DeCAMP: That's all it means.

SENATOR SIMON: Yes. Well...

SENATOR DeCAMP: This is a free interpretation resolution. You can have whatever interpretation you want.

SENATOR SIMON: It is....

SENATOR DeCAMP: So we don't waste any more time.

SENATOR SIMON: It's the last day, but I guess I just want it on public record that as far as I am concerned the oil companies are partially responsible for this and I think that they are intentionally withholding oil, the