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this is very good. So I would urge the body to support the amendment to increase it to \$26.

PRESIDENT: An amendment on the desk, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Newell moves to amend the Maresh amendment by striking \$26 and inserting \$30.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Newell. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Could I ask a point of order?

PRESIDENT: Yes, you may. Senator Warner for the purpose of a point of order. State your point, Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: I am doing this not because of the amendment but because it may occur again during the session so I wanted a ruling from the Chair. On Rule 6, Section 2, subsection (b) was the procedure for amendments and it reads: Each section shall be open to amendment. The amendments, if any, recommended by the committee shall first be considered. The introducer's amendments, if any, shall next be considered, after which he may move to advance and explain the bill. Other amendments and motions permitted by these rules may then be offered and shall be considered after the introducer has explained the bill in the order in which they are filed with the Clerk, and so forth. And I don't recall, I don't think we have ever, I don't remember if we have precluded the introducer's of the bill amendments from being amended or if the introducer is allowed to offer his amendments unamended that are either rejected or turned down. And I suppose the significant thing about it is that there is a difference on vote as an amendment to an amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair understands your point but very frankly, Senator Warner, I am not aware of anything that would, as you say, preclude an amendment to the...our rules do not preclude an amendment to the introducer's amendment, not that I know of, unless you've found something in there that says that.

SENATOR WARNER: My understanding of that rule could suggest that. I recall at the time the rule was adopted...

PRESIDENT: You are suggesting because the introducer's amendment is taken up first that it ought to be disposed of. Well, it is being disposed of but there isn't anything in