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intent, why don't we just put the bill on the floor of the Legislature without a hearing? Senator Maresh, would you be in favor of doing that? Would you be in favor of putting this bill on the floor of the Legislature without a hearing? It has already had a hearing once by the Sunset Committee and they decided to do away with this section of the law. Maybe we would like to decide differently so I move that the bill be put on General File without a hearing.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Warner, your light was on.

SENATOR WARNER: Did this have a sunset hearing? No, no. I would be opposed to not having a hearing, Mr. President. I will speak against the suspension. The sunset portion of this was...there never has been a review of the section of the law that is involved here. As it was passed, it automatically expired but there never has been a review of the statute itself and it is one of those things that is an excellent idea but has some real difficulties in implementing it effectively and I think a public hearing might help bring out some of those points and there may well be some people who would have suggestions that could make it more workable than the current law is. As a matter of fact, it has been on the books for three years and it has never been used because of some problems with it. I would hope that a hearing would be held.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you want to withdraw your motion, Senator Keyes?

SENATOR KEYES: Yes. If they want to have a hearing on this bill, that is all right with me. I thought the thing was set up and was going to disappear from the horizon of time, but if we want to go ahead and have a hearing on it, I don't object.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All right, the Chair would suggest if you would like to withdraw your motion, contact....

SENATOR KEYES: I will withdraw it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: ...contact members of the Reference Committee. They might see fit to refer it to General File. The motion has been withdrawn. New bill.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Goodrich offers a motion for the introduction of a new bill by the Public Health Committee, Request #1560.

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