

SPEAKER MARVEL: State your point.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, I would like you to look at Rule 7, Section 3-D it says "No motion, proposition or subject different from that under consideration shall be admitted under color of amendment". I maintain that with the thrust of this bill, the way in which it was drafted, the intent expressed by the introducer the amendment being offered is a new subject under color of amendment. It did not have a hearing before any committee and LB 741 when it was heard did not cover this particular subject matter at all. There was no notice to the public at any time that there would be an attempt to repeal these sections of statute that are covered in the amendment being offered. Therefore I am seeking a ruling of the Chair based on my contention that the amendment offered is not germane to this bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, I would submit that it is eminently germane. I spend a great deal of time going through every single bill before the legislature and when I stumbled upon Senator Hoagland's bill I could not believe it because it was eminently clear to me that this was a bill innocent or not that was ideally germane and suited to the purpose of repealing a law. That is what I am proposing to repeal a law. In the debate itself you will hear alternatives to that law, you will hear the subject discussed as to what may or may not be done as an alternative but the amendment itself is a repeal of a law. Now Senator Hoagland and some others have used the word "obsolete". To the best of my knowledge neither Senator Hoagland nor anybody else can show me something called an obsolete statute. We all know what it means, it means a law that probably isn't being applied. A law passed by the Legislature of the State of Nebraska is a law, is a law, is a law until such time the Supreme Court or this body removes it. The conditions may change, we may not utilize a law for a long period of time, but it is a law of the state. It is a law of the state until repealed or rendered ineffective by the court. Senator Hoagland's bill specifically cuts across a wide range of things. Now I am going to have the Pages hand out some earlier debate on this specific bill. I stood up on this floor and advised in advance, I advised in advance that I would on Select File offer a major amendment, a major amendment on this particular bill. Senator Hoagland and I think everybody in the room assumed that I was talking about the therapeutic marijuana bill, and so they all got up and said you can't do that, that wouldn't be germane because that would be adding a whole bank of new laws. This law is a repealer law. As you will read