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committee amendments and the bill.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Venditte, do you wish to suspend the rules? The time is up. We either vote the bill up or down. Senator Nichol.

SENATOR NICHOL: Would it be possible for us to take a vote either on the amendments or on the bill at this time?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Take a vote on the bill but you have to get permission from the Legislature.

SENATOR NICHOL: All right, I move...

SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you ask unanimous consent to vote?

SENATOR NICHOL: Yes.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Is there any objection? Okay, do you want to move to suspend the rules? Okay. The motion is to suspend the rules so that the bill can be either voted up or down. All those in favor with that motion... Yes, sir.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, wouldn't this be simply a motion to change the Speaker's order or whatever and if we are going to suspend the rules on every bill...

SPEAKER MARVEL: No, sir.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...then why say the fifteen minute? So I would like to know what rule then we are suspending.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Well, no, I made the statement to start with and what we have done before is to say on these particular bills that we have now, that they go fifteen minutes. At the end of that time we either vote them up or down if the bill is not advanced.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And this that we are doing doesn't count on the time of the bill, why do we need to suspend a rule then and what rule are we suspending? I am lost as to just what this procedure is.

CLERK: Senator, we are suspending Rule 6, Section 3 and Rule 7, Section 3 and the reason being that I have amendments pending on the bill and before we can vote on advancement we would have to deal with those amendments.