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that amendment because I did not want to use up the very important remaining hours. As has happened so oftentimes before, we find that it does not make much difference no matter what a few people want to do, we are going to insist upon rewriting the entire water law of the State of Nebraska. Now, if you don't believe that then you had better take a little time and read the Vickers amendment. I think you are going to find that you are making major changes in the law...major changes which we have discussed in the past and which have been rejected. It is a hoax and that is all it is, and I would suggest that you not fall for it, because a time will come, ladies and gentlemen, when you will have to explain it. I think that it is a mistake and I oppose it. I think, further than that, it is an insult to Senator Sieck who has requested that his bill be left alone. I wish that all of us would abide by that kind of an agreement.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Does Senator Schmit have an amendment? Senator DeCamp, what is your point?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President, the precedent has been set here in this Legislature very clearly and eloquently documented by Senator Beutler, Senator Hoagland, for example, on germaneness, and obviously just being legally in the chapter isn't germane. The sponsor of the bill has stated his intent that it be merely a technical bill. Senator Kremer, who advanced the bill off General File after major attempts to change it failed, also stated it should now be the technical correction bill and that is it. Obviously, coming in at this late date with a complete different direction, rewrite of the water laws, may be noble but to quote Senator Hoagland and others, I am sure it is not germane.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator DeCamp, are you speaking to any particular....

SENATOR DeCAMP: I am speaking to the present amendment. It is a complete departure from everything we are talking about. We were talking about technical corrections. Now we are redoing, I don't know what.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Vickers, do you wish to be recognized to withdraw your amendment that is on page 1785?

SENATOR VICKERS: Yes, Mr. Speaker, it is pretty obvious that the feeling of this body is such that as we get down to these last days we don't want to deal with any of the

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