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PRESIDENT: We are reconsidering that reconsideration and there is nothing that precludes it as far as I can see.

SENATOR MURPHY: Rule 7, Section 7 precludes it, sir.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis, did you wish to speak to this?

SENATOR LEWIS: I wanted to speak to the issue but I will speak about the unique twist that Senator Murphy has given on the last day particularly for some of us that have been here about the same amount of time. I don't know if precedence makes any difference, Mr. President, but I have seen dozens, literally dozens, of bills that failed on the override before and they have been turned around by a second vote. Now I think that has been the usual and ordinary procedure. Maybe Senator Murphy just picked it up now but I always had a lot of respect of Senator Murphy's abilities in terms of grasping issues and I have never seen it take him eight years to do one in terms of the rules. Let me just ask the question of the Clerk, and this will be a yes or no factual, not interpretation. Has the Legislature over the previous years defeated a bill in terms of the override and returned and reconsidered it again?

CLERK: Yes, sir.

SENATOR LEWIS: Has that been somewhat of a custom practice over the years?

CLERK: Do you want me to respond to that?

SENATOR LEWIS: I don't want to ask you any questions that embarrasses you or gets you in the issue but has that been done more than one time?

CLERK: Yes, sir.

SENATOR LEWIS: Has it been done many times? I think that is enough.

PRESIDENT: I don't think we need any more questions on that. It is a foregone conclusion it has been done. I think we will save a lot of time if you will just go ahead and vote on it. We could debate this for the rest of the day. I am just going to make a ruling and you don't hurt my feelings whatever you do. I am not going to make a personal thing on this. We could all be talking on this and I have Senator Koch and I have Senator Kelly that want to speak on this yet. We will have a couple more speak but I would like to get to the

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