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Senator Kremer are not here. Senator Chambers, we have only Senator Schmit and Senator Kremer now. Do you wish to hold up or do you wish to proceed?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, in the interest of time, there is some concern about the word "or" in the amendment maybe not causing the things...the provisions to be read cumulatively. Since the bill is not going to be read today anyway because an amendment was adopted, we have to go through with the vote. So what I think I can do is withdraw my request for a roll call vote. Can I do that, Mr. Clerk? And since there was a vote on the board just let that be the vote and then I will take care of some people's concern about that word "or" in the amendment.

PRESIDENT: All right, if you would comply with Senator Chambers request, it's workable. Proceed, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: All right, Mr. President, on the motion to return, there were 12 ayes, 13 nays.

PRESIDENT: The motion fails and at this time, Speaker Marvel, since the time...Speaker Marvel, since the time is up for Final Reading, I guess we look at you for guidance as to where you want to go from here.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The time as scheduled on the agenda as far as Final Reading is concerned is one hour. That has expired. Now there are...so I guess I am going to put it this way and then my popularity is going to decrease from now on so I am prepared, and that is that after today if we find ourselves in this position, and I am not passing judgment on any piece of legislation, when we reach the end of Final Reading, then that is it, regardless of what bills are left over and it will stay that way until next time. Unless we do something like this we are not going to complete, even come close to completing the work. Now I have another comment to make and that is that since we have slowed down and since some of you are interested in priority bills, there is only way that you can confront these priority bills and that is to set up a list of priority bills and give you an hour on each one, vote it up or down after an hour. That is the only way some of you are going to get any exposure as far as priority bills are concerned. I suggest you think about this and Monday we will start this process. So that is a long-winded way of saying that Final Reading after today in this situation, when the time is up, then we proceed to the next order of business. Today, there are two or three bills still remaining and since the introducers are not warned ahead of time