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LB 243

Read the motion.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Hoagland would move to exclude 243 from the Speaker's rule suspension motion.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Hoagland, you are recognized, and then, Senator Marvel, you may respond.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. President and colleagues, there is a lot of commotion here on the floor understandably following the casting of the very last vote, that I am not sure a lot of you understand what my amendment is to Senator Marvel's motion. If you look at your agenda, we have a motion to suspend the rules, which takes 30 votes, of course, to consider all the bills that follow that motion, including LB 243 which me and a number of other people have quite vigorously opposed. Now, Senator Schmit, the sponsor of LB 243, has had anywhere from 22 to 25 votes on this particular bill as it has progressed across the board. We debated it three times on General File, twice on Select File, and I would suggest that we exclude LB 243 from this particular motion to suspend the rules. And I understand I need 25 votes for this motion to prevail. If there are not 25 votes for my amendment to Speaker Marvel's motion to prevail, I would ask you then to oppose the suspension of the rules if you are opposed to LB 243, so we can put that bill off and consider it tomorrow. We will have tomorrow to consider that bill, and I would suggest that we not include it in this particular motion. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Marvel.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Mr. President, the motion that I made.... I've got to get your attention, I'm sorry...(gavel).

PRESIDENT: Let's give the Speaker some attention.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion that I made was made in good faith, was not to exclude, show favoritism by excluding one against the other, and, therefore, I stand on the original suspension of the rules.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, Senator Hoagland is entirely in order to ask for the exemption if he so chooses, but I'd just suggest perhaps that we might as well read the bill today as tomorrow, and if the Governor chooses to veto it, then

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