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that has to pass before you can get into the override. Is that correct? Is that correct? Senator Koch, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR KOCH: Question of the order in which we are going to make reconsiderations. The motions were placed up there, when? I had a motion up there to override 318 this morning.

PRESIDENT: These motions according to the Clerk were filed here yesterday.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Okay. Senator Schmit, we are on the motion now to suspend the rules first of all. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I rise in support of this motion to suspend the rules, to consider again the possibility of overriding the Governor's objections to the bill that was announced with reference to the funds for Aid to Dependent Children. I do so aware of the fact that we have made that effort before. I recognize the fact that it is not a popular motion to make. I recognize the fiscal responsibility for doing so. I do it because I believe it is the proper thing to do and because I believe, as I have expressed many times on the floor of this Legislature, that the state has a responsibility in this area. I want to call your attention to what really happens in the event that there is a necessity for aid to children in excess of that which is presently allowed and which is sufficient for caring for those children. The responsibility reverts back to the county. That is the court of last resort, so to speak, for those individuals who need assistance. We speak long and loud here on this floor about aid to local governments, and we speak with some emphasis upon how necessary it is to relieve property taxes, but the facts are that unless we, as a state, take those measures that are necessary to relieve the burden that falls upon these people, if the assistance we provide is not sufficient, then they have no recourse except to resort to the counties and the counties must take care of those individuals. We talk a lot about how we can get by and all of us know what has happened to us because of the ravages of inflation. In our businesses, in our own homes and our industries we have had to face the necessity of 25 percent inflation rates for some time, and we have had to draw upon resources and borrow up on our resources in order to survive. But I ask you what