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LB 631

SPEAKER MARVEL: The bill is advanced. There is a request to lay over LB 631. Any objections? Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: Senator Dworak, I believe, has an amendment pending on 631 and he isn't here and out of courtesy to Senator Dworak I would think we would lay the bill over until he comes.

SPEAKER MARVEL: For what purpose do you rise, Senator Haberman?

SENATOR HABERMAN: A point of order, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Pardon me?

SENATOR HABERMAN: A point of order.

SPEAKER MARVEL: What is the point?

SENATOR HABERMAN: I asked for the same privilege here about a week or ten days ago and the Chair wouldn't give it to me. They said if we laid everything over just because somebody wasn't here on an amendment, we would be here all week.

SPEAKER MARVEL: That is not only true but is one way to slow down the process. So...well, let's put it this way, the request is made to pass over the bill which puts it in the same position as others, and so the Chair grants that privilege. Now if somebody wants to comment....okay, Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President, how long is Senator Dworak excused for? Will he be here later in the day?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit, do you wish to answer the question?

SENATOR SCHMIT: If the question is in reference to the Dworak amendment on LB 631, I can't speak for Senator Dworak but I can tell you very frankly that I have been in close contact with the people in the City of Columbus and I want to say this, that during the summertime we held some hearings on the problem of the Atokad racetrack. At that time I discussed with the people of Columbus whether or not they wanted to address some of their problems as they are presently developing. The consensus was reached that they would not attempt to become involved with the Atokad problem, and as a result of that I gave my word to Senator VonMinden and