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CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays to cease debate.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator DeCamp, would you like to close, please.

SENATOR DECAMP: Yes, Mr. President. We've kind of had some fun, and I think we've had an important issue because in all the years I've been here we've never really got to decide whether...what (Recorder malfunction)... we should meet every couple years or whether we should have a different schedule, and I will bet you not one of you who campaigned, not one of you didn't hear that phrase, well, how come you are meeting every year and changing the law every year? Okay, so it is a major issue, but let's go to the specific issue of germaneness and this is kind of important for all of us and that is the reason I pressed it this morning even though, even though I knew it would take twenty, thirty, forty minutes because a lot of other issues are going to ride on it in the session. Germaneness, germaneness. Now Senator Wesely's argument is, supported strongly by Senator Beutler, that this goes beyond details as specified in the rules. Well, ladies and gentlemen, now think about this. Their standard is strict and different than what we have been doing and will result in the following. Any time somebody has a bill and you want to amend it, somebody has to say, well, that is a...I am in disagreement because that is just not a detail clarifying my purpose. Let's use some examples. Interest rates. Interest rates. Let's assume we are setting interest rates on credit cards. One person says the interest rate should be 20 percent. Another says at 15 percent you are completely gutting and destroying the bill and wiping out the credit card industry. Another one says at 25 percent it is outrageous and you are allowing robbery. It is a matter of degree but it is a detail. It details with the original purpose and that is certainly what I am doing. Senator Wesely said, Senator Wesely said, I am saying when the Legislature should meet. He says they should meet in December on a certain day and then they should come back and start again at another time right after the turn of the year. I am saying when they should meet. They should meet every year. They should go a certain period of time. They shouldn't meet the next year. That is "when" as clearly as anything. Now don't smile over there, it is. It is a definite "when". Okay, how about bills that