

this bill. John is quite right in saying that he has threatened to do what I threatened to do this morning and has never followed through on it completely and I won't follow through on it completely this morning. But that doesn't mean at some other point during the session that I may not have to do something different that is distasteful to me and would be distasteful to everybody else. But I really believe that it was a mistake to attach this amendment. I think Senator Conway, others who supported this bill, can see that it has been weakened considerably by this amendment that Senator DeCamp attached. I don't even know what the Governor's attitude on the bill would be and I hadn't even thought of that. But maybe since he is trying to get cuts in appropriations, he would not sign a bill that at the same time is going to diminish the revenue coming into the state. So maybe he wouldn't even sign the bill. Then that on which Senators Conway, Rupp, Hefner and others who signed onto this bill, Senator Goll, that on which they worked so hard would go down the drain unnecessarily. If Ak-Sar-Ben does not get this windfall this year, it is not going to hurt them. It is not going to hurt them at all. But with all of the crying and agonizing going on in the Legislature and the Governor's office about the small amount of money available to discharge the state's responsibilities, one million dollars is considerable. It is almost twice as much as we took from the babies yesterday. So what I am asking now by this amendment is that you first return the bill to Select File and then we strike the amendment.

SENATOR BARRETT: Senator DeCamp, please.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, I want to make very clear to the body exactly what Senator Chambers and I discussed and agreed to because I think it settles "the filibuster or alleged filibuster" or whatever. I had a motion up there that was ahead of Senator Chambers. According to the rules, my motion could have come up first. My motion was to suspend the rules and go on to other business and, so to speak, get off the issue and leave Ernie high and dry. That was my motion. And, of course, we have all done this many times at some point if you can finally get your motion positioned ahead of somebody to break a filibuster and you have 30 votes because you might get votes from even the opposing people. Okay, here is what I agreed to do. Oh shit, nobody cares. Here is what I agreed to do. I agreed