

SPEAKER NICHOL: Yes, it would be difficult but it is possible.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you very much. Under that...under those conditions that we could move the bill if we bracket it until Tuesday, I am going to support the bracket motion and I wanted to ask that question, Mr. President, to put everybody's mind at ease that we will have time and the methods to move the bill if we do bracket. Thank you.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Landis, please, then Senator Abboud.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, Elroy Hefner and I are in agreement and this is a rare enough occurrence, rather like Haley's Comet, that perhaps we should note that fact and wonder what it possibly could be that we wind up on the same side of the ledger for this one for. Well, I think Elroy has got a good idea. What he says is reject the committee amendments because that is where we have the tax rate increase and move the bill to Select File. Why? This is General File, right? But we are going to bracket it and do it again next Tuesday? And then we are going to do it again on Select File which is what we always do and then with our episode this morning from what Final Reading is like, we need to do this four times? I don't think we do. Elroy, mastermind that he is, says, let's defang the sabre-toothed tiger, take out the controversial section, move it over there and maybe we can save ourselves an afternoon of grief unlike, for example, this morning when we couldn't save ourselves a morning worth of grief. I am persuaded that Elroy is the carking voice in the wilderness who can lead us through like Moses to the promised land here and I am with him. I think we all ought to be and quit debating bills four different times. Withdraw the amendment to bracket, which is now an excuse to debate, defeat the committee amendments which then defangs the tiger and then move it over to Select File so we can address one time and one time only of what should be the nature of our response to the budgetary crisis. It simply puts us in the right strategic position to answer the question. It does not answer the question itself. Elroy is right. Chris is wrong. Let's get around to the business of voting here on something today, please.