

mind to make initially, but I didn't think there would be enough opportunity to discuss it. It's clear that the two main factions are still contending against each other. When that motion that Senator Beutler made, I think it was his, but whichever one it was on a serious and substantive point deadlocked 24-24 by the machine and 24-24 on a roll call, it was clear that there would not be enough votes really to do anything. But, by me trying to bracket this bill and take this additional time, there is a good chance Senator DeCamp's motion to suspend the rules may prevail because you don't want to go through any more of this. You'll suspend the rules. You'll adopt the appropriations package. It will then be a part of the bill and Senator DeCamp in addition to making a motion that this amendment be adopted without further discussion or debate has a motion up there on the bill to accomplish the same thing after a few amendments are offered. So the best thing probably for you to do is to go ahead and suspend the rules and adopt that amendment if you want to get out from under what you're under now. However, I do have that priority motion on the bill itself which I can offer that would reconsider Senator DeCamp's motion of the 1 percent cut across the board and the 4 percent salary increase, but it will be deferred before it takes effect. So sometimes there is method to madness, but this is not madness. This is delivering on a promise in the same way that some of you all delivered on promises. You promised to destroy the Mexican-American Commission and you did it because you had the numbers so it didn't take you long. You promised to destroy the Indian Commission. You did it because you had the numbers. You promised to destroy the Commission on the Status of Women. You promised to destroy the Displaced Homemakers. You promised those four things and you did every one of them. So you cannot begrudge me the time required for me to try to accomplish what I think is necessary. What I think is the most necessary now is to bracket this bill and to use that hackneyed expression that is so current around here, go on to other things. But if you decide not to bracket, then what you're going to do is consider Senator DeCamp's suspension of the rule motion and if you suspend and adopt the amendment, that is not going to be the end to the discussions. The same amendments that I've offered at this point on the bill I can offer at another stage. The amendments that can be offered on Select File can be offered on Final Reading. These issues have to be dealt with in a way different than they've been dealt with thus far. Time