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Stradivarius when it comes to these things and others are violins, who thought that they would see Ernie Chambers succeed over a period of time in bringing Senator Lamb, a conservative, to acknowledge when a rule is being adopted that there is an easy way around it and then state how you get around it. So, has Ernie Chambers changed? No, except for the better. Has the Legislature changed? In some ways, and in those ways for the better. Senator Lamb, I thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Morehead, do you wish to close on the matter?

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Mr. President, members of the body, again, this motion to amend the rules is presented so that it is very clear as it is presented here, that a motion to recess is not debatable just as a motion to adjourn is now not debatable. In both instances the person presiding in the Chair has the ability to speak to that motion to indicate, in fact, if there is a motion to recess as Senator Warner pointed out so that we are waiting for appropriations bills to come back before we take a vote, the person presiding has the ability to speak to the motion to clarify the reason that the motion to recess is in existence. It does not preclude that, does not take away that privilege. This motion only indicates that if it is moved from the floor to recess, that from the legislative body there is to be no debate. I ask for its adoption.

PRESIDENT: Senator Higgins, did you have a question of the speaker? Senator Morehead was closing.

SENATOR HIGGINS: No, I think I'll make a motion to adjourn. I'll withdraw the motion, Mr. Chairman.

PRESIDENT: Very well, the motion is to adopt the rule change as has been under discussion and we'll again have to call the roll. All those members in favor vote aye, opposed vote no and the Clerk will call the roll.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken as found on pages 153-54 of the Legislative Journal.) 33 ayes, 3 nays, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The motion carried and the rules change is adopted. Do you have other bills to introduce, Mr. Clerk?