

SPEAKER NICHOL: Yes.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you. I will just take two minutes.

SPEAKER NICHOL: I'm sorry, I thought you were through, that's why I said that.

SENATOR LANDIS: Oh, all right. It is undeniable that visitation and support are parts of the same relationship. Now, in a piece of legislation there is a refining process from the beginning of that to the end of that and what Senator Hoagland is really saying, I think, in his argument is that that refinement has to be consistent, has to be the will of the introducer. And I don't think so. There is a balancing of interests in the political choices that this body makes and if we are not able to examine that relationship and to balance equities, then simply we are going to have to what, effectuate only the introducer's intent? That is a standard that we can't meet. This becomes the will of the body and the body has to be free to balance and to maintain a fair relationship inside how a bill is going to affect people. And if it is not consistent with what the introducer wants, well, that is just what happens sometimes with a piece of legislation. An introducer has one opinion but the body has another and the standard is far too high if we say, in essence, it has to please the introducer before it is germane and that is really what is being urged to the body. I understand this doesn't please the introducers but it is at the heart of the question of what the appropriate or fair relationship that the law should be able to compel against a parent on behalf of a child to the vindication of a grandparent.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The question is shall...Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President and members, I, too, rise to urge the body to overrule the Chair. Under our rule, under the rule on germaneness the language says that germane amendments relate only to details of the specific subject of the bill and must be in a natural and logical sequence to the subject matter of the original proposal. Now, I think that the Chair has gone only as far as the aunt because it seems to me that the question of visitation rights, the recognition of that is followed by a natural logical sequence of the support as well. It seems to me that it is