

when we come to LB 325, we're going to strip from 325 the amendment that was added to it by which the program was attached. So those things will be done in tandem. But what must be done here so that we can discuss the program is to adopt the amendment that I am offering. The amendment is the retirement program and in order to do that we must strip the existing contents from LB 1129. So now I'm going to say it in a way that I hope is clear. I have talked to Senator Hartnett whose bill is LB 1129, he has been assured that when the contents of LB 1129 are stripped they will be added to 325 immediately after this. So I am asking that you adopt my amendment, which will strip LB 1129 and put in place the retirement program.

PRESIDENT: The bill number then will remain 1129 and LB 325 will then no longer exist?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Right.

MEMBERS OF THE BODY: No, no, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No. No.

PRESIDENT: Very well, all right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Here is what will happen. LB 1129 has material in it which will be added to LB 325. And, the existing amendment to 325, which is the senators' retirement program, will be stripped from 325.

PRESIDENT: Thank you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: What we are doing right now is dealing with LB 1129 in as surgical and clean a way as possible.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Is there discussion on the amendment? Senator Hartnett.

SENATOR HARTNETT: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I guess I was...I didn't understand until this morning what was going on because they were taking my bill, which I think has importance until I was reassured by Senator Chambers that my bill was going to go as an amendment onto another bill so I think I simply wanted to let Senator Chambers and members of the body to know that I guess I wish I was informed a little sooner, but that sometimes is the way it goes. So thank you.