

on the basis of germaneness you'd have the grounds to do that. So despite the fact John has worked out this situation that it sounds agreeable to me anyway, in terms of the future it would be good to have that ruling on order. I don't remember a ruling on 835. I don't remember somebody actually definitively saying anything on the issue on 835, so I would ask that you make that ruling and that would be my suggestion.

PRESIDENT: Senator...first, let me state that the Chair, if there is a possibility of working this out, supersede on the substantive amendment on its own and any ruling that I might make on the point of order would be moot. But, Senator Higgins, do you want to speak?

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President, are there any other amendments up there on this bill? There are three. Then I would have to say, I don't understand Senator DeCamp questioning Senator Pappas, Senator Hefner, one or two senators, and saying, as long as we three fellows agree, the rest of the body isn't going to vote on any other amendments. Is that what is being proposed here, that John DeCamp and a few senators get together and decide what amendments we will hear and what amendments we won't hear? That's what I want the answer to. Because if that's the case, Mr. President, get out of the seat you're in and you take DeCamp's and let him take yours.

PRESIDENT: Just what I've been waiting for, but I just...now, Senator Pappas, do you want to say anything more?

SENATOR PAPPAS: Yes, Mr. President, in response to Senator Higgins and one of the reasons, as I said, when Senator DeCamp asked me is, the other day it advanced with, I think, 32 or 34 votes and that was without a call of the house and I, unfortunately, leading the opposition I only had nine if I remember correctly. And they have an amendment up there that they want to put on, they want to suspend the rules and advance the bill and there is three or four other ones. I've got a couple bills coming up this afternoon, the whole body does. Now, if I want to be kind of rotten, I could put my bracket motion back up and a couple other things and try to drag the bill on, but it is going to hurt a lot of people in this body. There is a lot of bills that aren't going to be heard this afternoon and that's why...

SENATOR HIGGINS: I've heard that argument all this session. Every time certain senator gets up, he says for the purpose of