

saying he ought to live by the rules they set down. That portion of the bill, which I guess was put in there by the committee, I don't know, but that portion goes beyond what the Governor specifically put in his call.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, as I recall, the Attorney General was talking about a bill once passed being found either constitutional or not. Even with respect to Senator DeCamp's point about this amendment and its wisdom as policy, the Legislature is in a position to cure that defect by the vote. Apparently Senator DeCamp doesn't simply want to even have a vote or discussion of the bill. But if that argument is to be made, it should be made after the amendment is rejected, in which case then perhaps the case can be made that the bill would be infirm under the Attorney General's Opinion, but certainly not prior to the taking of a vote on Senator Hefner's amendment. This is an untimely objection and the Chair would do well to put it off until such time as it can be made in which the bill is moving forward in a form that might arguably be unconstitutional. But the bill hasn't moved forward. It is only under discussion and it would be premature, in fact, it would take matters off our appropriate agenda and give us the right to cure those defects even if we were to agree with Senator DeCamp's characterization.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, I get your point. Thank you. Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DECAMP: Mr. President, I'm twixt the devil and the deep because I think I can win both ways on it. Let me explain. If the amendment is adopted that Senator Hefner offers, which I'm voting for, I guess I get what I wanted. If it is not adopted, I think my objection is valid and the entire bill is out, outside the call. Now Senator Landis says it is not timely to object until the bill is advanced or until we've completely processed it. However, if you use that standard then we should process every other bill from income taxes, to sales tax on services and see what we finally do with them before we rule whether they are inside or outside the call. If we use your own standards, we would be processing all these other bills before we ever decided they were in or out. I think Senator Landis is wrong. I think this is the time to make the objection, except I don't