

SENATOR DECAMP: Sure, I agree. And I think what we are doing now is stating things for the record more than anything else. Mr. President, it is my position as follows, that if this bill was outside the call at eleven o'clock this morning, it is outside the call now. This bill was heard. Public hearing was held on it under the theory it was outside the call. It was advanced to the floor under the theory it was outside the call. At eleven o'clock this morning, let me ask you a question, if I might, at eleven o'clock this morning if this bill had come up, how would you have ruled as Speaker and Presiding Officer as to whether it is in or outside the call?

SPEAKER NICHOL: I would have ruled that it was outside the call.

SENATOR DECAMP: Okay. If that would have been your ruling this morning and if you would have been correct, then I feel that the Governor's merely amending his call does not make this specific bill at this specific moment within the call. Indeed, another new bill, another new hearing, the complete process, seven days, the whole works, may well be within the call although I would contest that, but apparently that is not the way we are going. But at a minimum this particular bill considered at this time and the format we are considering it, if it would have been outside the call at eleven o'clock this morning before that Governor's Proclamation and expansion, alleged expansion, then it is outside the call now. That is the only point I am trying to make.

SPEAKER NICHOL: All right. Senator Vard Johnson. Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I would argue that this bill is properly to be considered at this point. Cases with respect to whether a bill is inside or outside the call are never measured on what they were on General File or Select File but what shape they were in when they were passed. The subject matter at the time of passage is compared to the subject matter of the governing call and then there is a decision as to whether or not the bill is inside the call or not. So there are two parts to the question. Number one, what is the shape of this bill? Well, we have yet to find out, don't we? It has to get over