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almost would have to take precedence over the Rules themselves so that you could hear that matter.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: For my benefit, could the Clerk read the authorization in the Rules for suspending the Rules.

PRESIDENT: Two-two is the one to suspend the Rules. All right. Senator Schmit. If you made a point, Senator, I am going to overrule it, Senator Chambers. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, the hour is late. We have discussed the bill many, many hours. There is no doubt in any one's mind, I am sure, of what is contained in this bill. I am sure the bill has been debated thoroughly. I would hope very much that we can act on the bill and that we can do so expeditiously and do it promptly and I would, therefore, renew my motion to suspend the appropriate rule and any other rule that is necessary to move this bill to E & R Final and I call for the question.

PRESIDENT: Do I see five seconds? I do. The question is, shall debate be closed on this matter of the suspension of the Rules? Record.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 3 nays.

PRESIDENT: Debate is closed. The question is, shall Rule 7, section 3, subsection (e) and Rule 6, section 4, subsection (b). Senator Cavanaugh.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: A point of clarification.

PRESIDENT: Yes, sir.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: After you have completed that.

PRESIDENT: That is the question. Shall those rules be suspended?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Will this have the effect of prohibiting any further motions or amendments to the bill?

PRESIDENT: I think before the motion to advance, yes, but it could always come back. You can always move to bring it back for specific amendment.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: But it would prohibit any other amendments to the bill.

PRESIDENT: The next order of priority under this suspension of Rules would be the motion to advance. Yes, sir.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Okay.

PRESIDENT: You have heard the question. Record your vote. Did you want to be recognized? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk. Senator Chambers, I am sorry. I didn't see it.