

our people at home and all of our friends on the floor and then permit an agency not to enforce the law and permit a minority of people called the Supreme Court to overrule what we have done here. I personally, if this makes it to Select File, which I hope it does not, but if it should, I personally will offer an amendment to make that seven of nine. If you think there is any reason why a simple majority of five judges should invoke a power greater than that of this Legislature after the torture you go through here to create a law, then I say you hold yourself in very low esteem. I support Senator Warner's motion on General File and will offer seven on Select File should it unfortunately arrive there.

SEN. MARVEL: Senator Bereuter.

SENATOR BEREUTER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I'll be very brief, but I would like to firmly express my support for the Warner amendment. It seems to me that we definitely are dealing with the potential shift in balance of powers between the branches of government. This would be without some kind of amendment, substantially strengthening the power of the Judiciary over and above the Executive and Legislative branch. I do think that Senator DeCamp raises a good question about the possible confusion that would result if this amendment is not added to the bill. The confusion would be of course, that people would be voting to increase the number of Supreme Court Justices without understanding that at the same time they would be changing the super majority requirement that now is on the books. Therefore I would encourage all the members of the Legislature to support the Warner amendment and then make up your own minds and perhaps offer additional debate, as I intend to, on the bill itself.

SEN. MARVEL: Senator Reutzel, then Senator Barnett, then Senator Cope. Senator Reutzel has the floor. Okay. Senator Barnett, do you wish to speak on the Warner amendment? Senator Cope, do you wish to speak on the Warner amendment? Is Senator Warner here? Do you wish to close on your amendment to LB 282?

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, I think it is a relatively simple amendment that is understood.

SEN. MARVEL: The vote is on the Warner amendment to LB 282. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record. Do you want to vote Senator Newell?

CLERK: 26 ayes, 1 nay on the adoption of the Warner amendment, Mr. President.

SEN. MARVEL: The motion carries and the amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, I now have a motion to indefinitely postpone LB 282 and that is offered by Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DE CAMP: Mr. President, that was only if we didn't get honest here and change this amendment. The amendment has been adopted. I don't like to kill anybody's bill.

SEN. MARVEL: Are you asking unanimous...?

SENATOR DE CAMP: I'll withdraw if unless Senator Retuzel wants to offer it but there isn't strength to kill it.