

SENATOR VENDITTE: Senator, I think you can better answer that question....

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: I will answer....

SENATOR VENDITTE: A priority bill does not mean that the bill will be heard this session of the Unicameral.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: I will answer that.

SENATOR VENDITTE: Senator Reutzel, last year, had a priority bill. He was first up. His bill didn't get heard. So....

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: All right. To answer the question, though, speaking as the Speaker, Senator Venditte did request that LR 152 be his preference bill, or resolution.

SENATOR VENDITTE: Mr. Speaker, point of order.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Yes.

SENATOR VENDITTE: Can you assure me.... I would withdraw this motion if you could assure me that 152 would be heard this year, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: I'm not going to...since...in this body, right now you're taking this away from the Speaker. I'm not going to assure you of anything.

SENATOR VENDITTE: Mr. Speaker, can we be in roll call, please.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Senator Venditte made a statement. The Speaker, speaking as the Speaker, the Chair is going to make an announcement too. The Speaker and the presiding officer at this moment is not going to vote, since you're telling the Speaker what to do. I am not going to take position. I'm going to let you decide what I'm going to do.

SENATOR BARNETT: Would you read the roll in reverse, please.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: All right. We will have a roll call in reverse, at the request of Senator Barnett. All right. Proceed with the roll call. First, repeat.... Have you read the motion, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Mr. President, the motion is to direct the Speaker to place LR 152 as a Special Order item March 20, 1978.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Senator Reutzel, for what purpose do you arise?

SENATOR REUTZEL: Is this a simple majority or 25?

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: Twenty-five votes it requires. This requires 25 votes. All right, proceed with the roll call in reverse order.

CLERK: Took roll call vote (in reverse) found on pages 1193 and 1194 of the Journal. 23 ayes, 13 nays on the motion, Mr. President.

SPEAKER LUEDTKE: The motion falls. Senator Reutzel.