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LB 282

in preparation for Final Reading. The first bill, LB 141, has been held for three days in a row and I call this to the attention of the Legislature because this may be a rule change that at least should be considered or looked into. Senator Koch, once again we are about to pass over LB 141 on Final Reading.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The only reason I brought this to Senator Marvel's attention is that this amendment has been flagging this bill ever since Select File and again the introducer of the amendment is not present. I am certain that his motives are not in, you know, an injustice to the bill but it appears to me that an individual could do this and not be present at the time the bill is being treated and suddenly you adjourn and the bill hangs on Final Reading because there is no way you can rid it of that amendment under our present rule, at least as far as I am concerned. So I would hope that Senator Fowler and the Rules Committee would consider this. It appears to me that either the introducer should be present to do it after so many days or he could select a person to do or handle the amendment for them so it would not impede the progress of the bill, particularly when it gets late in the session. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wesely, your light is on. We really are not debating an issue. Do you have a comment you want to make?

SENATOR WESELY: Yes. I thought that in the past, I had a bill that had an amendment on it and you made a ruling that the amendment that somebody else had that wasn't there for several days, we just passed over it because he never was there. So I thought in the previous incident....

SPEAKER MARVEL: I said I think the ruling was made in regard to Final Reading but the point also could apply to other areas of consideration. Before we begin Final Reading, in the North balcony from Senator Carsten's District, there are 33 third and fourth grade students, one teacher, four parents from Nemaha Valley Elementary School, Talmage and Cook, Nebraska and the teacher is, I have a little trouble reading the writing here, but it is Mrs. Eisenhower. Mrs. Irene Eisenhower is the teacher. Would you hold up your hands and show us where you are? Welcome. The Clerk will read on Final Reading LB 282.

CLERK: Read LB 282 on Final Reading.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All provisions of law having been complied