

a lot of controversy so I proposed this new system that resolutions that actually do have the ratification effect, at least that was the purpose and the intent, that really do change the US Constitution even though we are only part of a group changing the Constitution, when they have that legal effect they should be carefully considered, carefully discussed, monitored, etc. Now, I might point out that I still support that but the particular proposal before you now, the particular proposal has no legal effect whatsoever. I think that is important for you to understand. I completely support Senator Haberman in his statements about Washington, D.C. shouldn't be considered a state, so on and so forth....

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator DeCamp, I really.....

SENATOR DE CAMP: The point is that amendment, the amendment that he is proposing has no legal effect, so....

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator DeCamp.....

SENATOR DE CAMP: Maybe you should go have a....

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator DeCamp.....

SENATOR DE CAMP:.....a public hearing, yes.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator DeCamp, I have been most lenient, I tried to phrase the question in such a way that you could give me an answer. Now I know that that is hard for me to do, a man of your ability can certainly dash and maneuver out of that direct answer. I not only phrased it wrong, I should have stopped him a lot earlier.

SENATOR MARVEL: You have about a minute left.

SENATOR NEWELL: Senator DeCamp, can you answer my question?

SENATOR DE CAMP: (mike not activated) with public hearings if that is what you want to know. But as I said this has no legal effect if it is passed.

SENATOR NEWELL: Thank you. Senator DeCamp, no more please, not on my time. Mr. Speaker, does the introducer of a motion have ten minutes to introduce it?

SPEAKER MARVEL: The answer is yes, and I thought that you were going to take five.

SENATOR NEWELL: Well, I...I...I...I want to take ten minutes