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SPEAKER MARVEL: Do you have any other comments before we make a decision?

SENATOR CLARK: Yes. In the first place he has changed the entire title of the bill. I am in Sections 8-120, 8-122, and then he adds also that "and Section 45-207, Reissue Revised Statutes". So he is in an entirely different section. I don't think it is germane and I would like a ruling from the Chair.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Simon, do you have any other comments? Okay. The Chair rules that the Simon amendment is not germane. Therefore, Senator Clark is sustained. It is our interpretation that if we accepted your amendment there would be two subjects, which would be unconstitutional. But the main point is it is not germane. Now, if you want to challenge the Chair, it is your privilege.

SENATOR SIMON: No, I do not wish to challenge the Chair. May I have a brief dialogue with the Chair?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Go ahead.

SENATOR SIMON: I guess the only question that I had as I was stating before, is that when we have an amendment dealing with the same area, to my knowledge, that those amendments have always been able to be voted up or down. I do not wish to challenge the Chair, but I merely wish to know if my recollection is correct and if so then it would seem to me that we have in the past had two subject matters only from the standpoint that they may be in a little bit different areas but they are under the broad general category of the law being discussed, and that was the reason I brought forth this amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Well, it is my experience that what you are talking about is the difference between 8-120 and 45-205 and also 208, and there is quite a little difference.

SENATOR SIMON: Okay. Well the reason I asked this is so that I will be able to understand a little bit better in the future when offering an amendment that might be germane and when it might not. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair does not sit here posing as an infallible individual.

SENATOR SIMON: The Chair has been here considerably longer