

a man here who is a gadfly. You know, I don't use names on the floor but that's what has happened. It's the gadfly rule and the gadfly just prevents you from even discussing the bill on the merits. You've got to discuss the brackets, the rereferences, et cetera. Senator Chambers noted that he graciously allowed the Hall amendment and the Nelson amendment to be discussed. He didn't run the priority motions while we discussed those amendments. But when those amendments were defeated, I guess that wasn't enough because the priority motions have come back on and they will continue to come on, I suspect. Probably what we do now makes no difference and we will probably end up adjourning without any further movement on this bill. That's my guess. Now, this can be done to any piece of legislation that is in this body. I have never done it in my nine years. I have never done it because I have always felt that the better part of valor was to allow for the free exchange of ideas, to allow for the real give and take on the issues and not on whether one person can stop a system, not on that. Well, when one person is stopping a system, finally the system has to say, stop it, enough is enough. So I would ask you to overrule the Chair.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. The question is, shall the Chair be overruled? Those in favor of that motion...I'm sorry. A roll call has been requested on the motion to overrule. Nineteen votes are required to overrule. Proceed.

CLERK: (Roll call vote read. See page 1832 of the Legislative Journal.) 21 ayes, 8 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to overrule the Chair.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair is overruled. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, this vote means then that all bracket motions are the same whether a date or time is given or not. Are you going to be bound by that, having been overridden? Do you feel that now you are...

SPEAKER BARRETT: It is the opinion of the Chair that the decision made by the Chair was a correct decision and I will stand by that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I just wanted a clarification. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: The next item.