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above my amendments. Senator Schmit, wily cad that he was...and I mean former Senator Loran Schmit so you won't mix it with my pistol-packing friend Jerry Schmitt, who is with us now...asked could he sign on with me on one of my amendments, giving me the impression that he supported it. As soon as I let him sign on, he then substituted an amendment that ConAgra and some of the lobbyists and others wanted, so I was snookered, I was tricked because I reposed confidence in a senator when I really should not have. In that instance was shown a concrete example of chicanery which can occur on this floor and how some senators are not above misleading a colleague. When we have those types of bills which have so much at stake for certain very powerful special interest groups, pressure can be brought to bear on a Speaker, on whoever the lieutenant governor happens to be, on the Governor, individual members of the Legislature and the whole process is turned into a shambles, whereas no other branch of government would permit itself to be exploited and misused in that fashion. So when we give all of this type of authority to a mere mortal to determine which amendments will be heard at all, which motions will be allowed at all, and in which order such motions and amendments will be taken, it is an abdication of our...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...responsibility as legislators and I'm not prepared to give up my prerogatives as a legislator. I'm in support of Senator Bernard-Stevens' amendment at this time and as we proceed on the discussion of this amendment, there are questions that I might want to ask him and maybe one or two I'd like to put to Senator Beutler, since he strongly supports this overall proposed change to the rules.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Madam President. If I could ask Senator Bernard-Stevens a question, I would like to. I don't know if he's here.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Go ahead, sir.

SENATOR BROMM: Senator Bernard-Stevens, I tried to listen to