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sincere desire was to not prolong the time that the body has spent on this issue, we would have taken up LR 11CA, not wasted our time on General File, not wasted our time on this proposal on Select File when these same amendments could have been offered to that. That's my first reality here, but notwithstanding we are here today and we need to address the issue at hand. Regardless of whether or not the challenge was brought prior is meaningless to the discussion right now. The challenge was not offered before whether it was germane. The Speaker has ruled that it is not germane, and if Senator Schimek would like to wait until this motion was determined and then this amendment would be advanced or declined, then her amendment to lower from five to two would be in order. That's process. I think that's what we should do. I think that's how the process works and I think that that is what the Speaker has guided us to do with his decision. So I'm going to rise in opposition to the motion to overrule the Chair. I do believe that our germaneness rule should be liberally interpreted and that it should be open, but I think that when you look at the direct intent of what Senator Schimek's amendment does, it relates no way into AM27...2670. So I'm going to rise in opposition to the motion to overrule the Chair and would remind the body that if we were concerned about time we wouldn't have wasted our time on LR 14CA going through General File, now Select File, and potentially Final Reading; we would have rather taken up LR 11CA, which would have saved the body a whole lot of time. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Erdman. Senator Cunningham. Waives off. Senator Brown. Waives off. Senator Vrtiska. Waives off. Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Speaker and members. I am opting not to waive off, because I believe that we have a process here. And I understand that Senator Schimek is trying to solidify her deal, pardon the pun, on the terms here, but we need to, I believe, respect the integrity of the process, and that is a germaneness issue. This rule might come back and get me at such time in the future, but certainly I believe that we need to maintain the germaneness rule. Imagine for a moment if we start disregarding the germaneness issue. The germaneness issue comes