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SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, members of the body, I have to marvel at Senator Dworak's arguments. Now I am going to deal with Senator Dworak's arguments more than I am with the substance of the bill because I think you know what my amendment does. Senator Dworak's amendments are really very interesting. First he argues that if you put any more loopholes in here, this bill is going to be a sham. Well let me say that that loophole was in from the very beginning. We worked that out in committee and Senator Warner put it in to be an additional restriction so I think that Senator Dworak's arguments there are at the very least, very faulty. The second thing we find out, and I wish that Senator Dworak would have taken a logic class, he would have learned some of these arguments and how to make these arguments. The second thing that Senator Dworak says is that this is the Warner compromise amendment. Well now there wasn't any compromise at all. In fact, the compromises were done in the committee and this was the Warner amendment that advanced with one vote, one by one vote, on the floor just a few minutes before. So that is also a very faulty amendment or argument. Some other parts and problems with Senator Dworak's arguments, and I am not going to go and make these personal comments all the way through, but I wish that Senator Dworak would practice a little better logic and therefore I think we can make the debate a little more concise, a little more factual and on that basis we would be in a much better situation in terms of dealing with this legislation. This is a complex bill. I think that the Revenue Committee has done a tremendous job at working out the difficulties of this bill. Now we have made some amendments today. They have not all been good amendments but I can still vote for this bill with these amendments but I don't think we ought to be ridiculous and I don't think we ought to allow some ridiculous things like are being placed into this to go undebated, undiscussed or misunderstood and for that reason I offer this amendment to kind of clarify this. It still does what Senator Dworak and Senator Warner want it to do but it does it to the point where it does not quite allow for, it allows for at least some growth and for that reason, I think my amendment is the compromise amendment, Senator Dworak, as opposed to your arguments. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The question before the house is the adoption of the Newell amendment to the committee amendment on LB 285. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted? Voting on the Newell amendment to the committee amendment. Have you all voted? Record the vote.