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the same, the same antilaetrile people are at it again here this afternoon. They can't be sincere in their efforts. I think their only sincerity here, their only effort is one to filibuster the bill, to bog it down with amendments and I think we are wasting our time. With this particular motion that I have made, it is now giving all of us the chance to either vote the bill up or down. I discussed the matter very briefly with Senator John. He had talked to the people who had introduced these various motions here this afternoon. They are unwilling to withdraw them and, ladies and gentlemen, with that in mind, I think we can plan on being here for sometime hereafter if we allow the amendments to continue coming up on the desk to be debated. So that is the essence of my efforts here this afternoon on putting that particular motion before the body. It is just simply to get the bill to a vote before you here this afternoon with no further debate. I think that was done last spring.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Pardon...to suspend the rules and vote on this, 30 votes. Are you ready to take up your motion? Senator Simon, for what purpose do you arise? Pardon?

SENATOR SIMON: The motion is debatable, is it not?

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is not before the House yet.

SENATOR SIMON: The motion is before the House, sir. Senator Venditte did talk on the motion and I would like to respond.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Simon. Sorry I was on the phone and (interruption). Go ahead.

SENATOR SIMON: That is all right. Thank you, Mr. President. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I rise to oppose Senator Venditte's motion. The large number of amendments which are bothersome to Senator Venditte, if you check with the Clerk, there are three motions up there, three, not thirty, not ten but three and one of those is a kill motion by Senator Cullan. So in essence, we really only have two amendments to dispose of. Now just why is Senator Venditte today so ruffled and so upset and in so much of a need to try and ram this bill home when all we have are two amendments. Now I would take objection with Senator Venditte in saying that my particular amendment is one which is not meaningful and is one which was not offered in sincerity. If you look at the white copy and the amendments that were offered last year, I offered a number