

the full amount of time we need to fully consider it. It has little to do with the merits of this particular bill, although this is a major bill and it is an important bill and it is going to touch on the lives of everybody in the state, it is a matter of procedure. We simply can't at the last minute on the eleventh hour throwing all of these protections over board, start talking about little cogs and little wheels and invoke experience and say I have been around here eight years or ten years and I really know what is best and you little minds over here that are concerned about procedure just kind of forget about it this one little time and we will let this major bill pass. I mean that is a real serious distortion of the protections that are afforded by these procedures. I think that we have got to put our foot down and say we are not going to let this happen. If we let it happen today there is going to be an attempt later today and there is going to be another one tomorrow and the day after and who knows how many attempts are going to be made to move over a hundred bills across that are now on general file. We are going to be doing all of ourselves a disservice if we let this happen. I urge you to vote against it.

PRESIDENT: Chair recognizes Senator Murphy.

SENATOR MURPHY: I would concur in what Senator DeCamp has said with regard to this bill. If you will remember the original bill was one that was designed simply to clarify existing language. The bill did not alter language, all it did was insert a subsection number in order to clarify beyond any question the intent of the existing law. I find myself going back to Shakespeare when I hear Senator Hoagland's plea for procedure. I am touched. But I am also aware of his position with regard to the issue. And, a rose by any other name is still a rose. There are things that we must do from time to time. This is one of them and I am not going to stand here and fault the leadership of this legislature that has brought or I should say the lack of self-discipline of our membership that has brought us to this particular point of backlog of bills to be considered that really should have been acted upon. I will concur that this bill needs to be handled. The Attorney General has said that it can not be handled as an amendment. I would point out that the bill did have a public hearing, it did have full committee consideration and after a fashion was advanced to the floor. But I do not think that we can foist on to the people of this state another year under the existing federal bankruptcy act with the excuse that really we are abrogating our rules a little bit even though the procedure Senator DeCamp is following within our rules or we could not do it. I do not