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LB 940

proposition that is being offered here this morning?

SENATOR MURPHY: Senator Chambers, I am no longer a member of the Banking Committee which heard the bill, but the bill, it is my understanding and I would refer the confirmation to the Chairman, the bill did have a full public hearing with public notice and with consideration of the committee and amendments by the committee. So I believe the bill was properly presented, yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But, Senator Murphy, in amending the bill...that's before us now LB 940, do you think the public has been apprised that the bankruptcy provisions that were dealt with in another bill before a committee at a public hearing is to be put on Final Reading into a bill which deals with an entirely different matter? Do you think the public was made aware of that prior to maybe an article that will be written in the paper about it today?

SENATOR MURPHY: Not wanting to fault the public, but I doubt very much if 99 of a 100 of the public care, but I think it is a matter of no importance, Senator Chambers, inasmuch as the public had full access to the proposition that is in that bill irregardless of the number that it suddenly comes up with. I would think if we were to be faulted for anything at all, it would be the lack of extended debate on General File that currently can take place on Select as this bill is brought back, and I think we need numerous changes on Select File.

PRESIDENT: One minute, Senator Chambers, on your time.

SENATOR MURPHY: I hope that answers your question.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Not exactly, Senator Murphy, but I only have one moment...one minute left. Members of the Legislature, the remarks made by Senator Beutler and Senator Hoagland and Senator Landis are valid. Senator DeCamp knows it too. And when they say all of a sudden at the last minute that these types of propositions are necessary to save the public but no attempt was made in the ordinary legislative process to do so, I think it is not good at the last hour to attempt to do this. But if it is done, I don't think there should be any complaints about how the remaining seven days are used by anybody in terms of amending bills, trying to return them, or any other delaying practice that may occur to squander away the time. I am opposed to the proposition.