

shows contempt for the body. We have a rule that tells him the procedures to follow so it is waived for the Governor. He can come in whenever he wants to but if an ordinary citizen comes in that citizen is grabbed and not allowed to come in. There is certain people in this Legislature and Senator DeCamp is one of them, Senator Lewis is another, who are in a position to twist people's arms by one means or another to get things that they want and when I see an attempt to corrupt the system and to tell the Speaker that germaneness does not mean what it really means, implying that what Senator DeCamp says is what the Speaker has to rule is something I cannot allow to go by without commenting on. Now regardless of what an individual's motive is in offering amendments, I have gone through that where amendment after amendment was offered to a bill that I was interested in and you can try to suspend the rules if you choose but I think it is a mistake to misdefine words. If the amendment offered is designed to attach something to the bill that would lead to its being killed and it is a totally hostile amendment but it relates to the subject matter of the bill, the amendment is germane. They can try to move to cease debate. They can try to move to suspend the rules but to try to get the Chair to say that the English language does not mean what it means is not improper for a desperate member of the Legislature to do but I think it would not be a proper thing for the Speaker to do in terms of a ruling. Germaneness does not relate to a mere state of mind because if we base it on that what Senator DeCamp said from my point of view is absolutely nongermane to anything that relates to the Legislature other than that fringe area where those who have a certain amount of influence will use any means at their disposal to manipulate the system. I have heard him talk about manipulators in here, those who can use the rules but who has done the most manipulating and who gives the talks about changing the rules and how you can't do this and you can't do that but poor little Johnny is trying to do the other? Well poor little Johnny will be in the very process of doing the thing that he is condemning other people for doing. He is the one who has sought more than anybody else this session to suspend the rules. He is the one who has managed to get a bill gutted and a subject offered at a very late stage of discussion, not anybody else and he can be considered influential or whatever else anybody wants to designate him but I am not going to stand here without putting into the record my opinion on the things happening to this body. I know individuals get tired as the day wears on. That is why we ought to be in better shape. I know that people's nerves become frayed.