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if so, is Senator DeCamp correct in bringing a late filing amendment up ahead of amendments that were filed prior to the one that we are about to discuss, and I am questioning whether that procedure, your interpretation of substituting a late filing, is proper. Only a question and a technical one, I guess.

PRESIDENT: Technically, that would be correct. It would be a later filing...as I understand it, Senator Newell, you can answer that without the Clerk. Was one filed the same time or later?

SENATOR NEWELL: No, they were not filed at the same time.

PRESIDENT: All right, so the one that you have now substituted was filed subsequent?

SENATOR NEWELL: That is correct. We filed....

PRESIDENT: So technically speaking that would be correct. The only reason, Senator Carsten, that I ruled the way I did is that we have been doing this, this has been done obviously by the permission of the body and so it is your...they are your rules and you can do what you want to. You can object, you can force him to go to a vote. That is what I was explaining to him. Right now in order to bring the matter to a head, I am going to rule that it is in order and let you make the decision. If you don't want to take it up, you can overrule the Chair at this time. Let's handle it that way. Is that all right?

SENATOR CARSTEN: Yes, then I am assuming that this will be the procedure that we'll continue to follow...(interruption).

PRESIDENT: As far as I am concerned, it has always been a procedure that we have allowed one another to substitute and particularly I ruled in this case where it was there for everyone to see.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion on the point...on the procedural point? All right, Mr. Clerk, do you want to read the motion and familiarize ourselves so we know which motion is before the House.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Newell moves to return 284 to Select File for a specific amendment, and the