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amend this because it kills the bill. The nature of this thing is that the bill is dead if it doesn't get a majority vote. You can overrule me if you want to but I just tell you that so you can...if you want to debate the point with me and then I will let Senator Schmit also reply.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Would it be in order, Mr. President, to move to suspend the rules so that the bill could be brought out of committee with the latest draft for the committee amendments?

PRESIDENT: Well, I suppose you would have to suspend the rules. I don't know whether.....

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Well, if that would be in order, Mr. President, let me move to suspend the rules for purposes of bringing the bill out with the latest set of committee amendments.

PRESIDENT: If you suspend the rules, then you can do anything and that is...if you start that I am sure the Speaker is going to be very unhappy.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Well, perhaps I could argue the merits of this.

PRESIDENT: Why don't you just keep it to the....go ahead and argue the reasons you think this should be the way we should go. Let Senator Schmit reply and then let's.... I will make a ruling.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Let me just state the....just make a couple of quick arguments on the merits, Mr. President, for doing it this way. Now, as Senator Beutler and myself and Senator Koch and Senator Vickers and others have indicated, this is a very dangerous bill and it is a very dangerous bill because there are a lot of low visibility provisions that seriously threaten our current control area system. Now, as written, the green copy of the bill is a serious setback in my opinion. Now, we have been working this over in committee, as Senator Koch has indicated, and others, and we are in our fourth draft right now, and my feeling is that we are seventy-five percent of the way in taking away the dangerous low visibility provisions and making this a good bill, and, frankly, I think it would expedite debate on the floor of the Legislature considerably if we could start with a committee bill rather than the green copy, because, believe me, if we start with the green copy on this bill,