

it is going to be "Katy, bar the door." It is going to take so many amendments and so much discussion even to bring it up to the level that the committee has brought it to this point, that I think in the interest of time and economy if the body is serious about bringing this thing out, let's bring it out with the committee amendments because then at least we will have the benefit of the dozens and dozens of legislator hours and staff hours that have already gone into refining this bill which as others have indicated today, we all saw for the very first time in late January or early February. So let's not lose all that work. Let's bring it out with draft four of the committee amendments which is a product as I indicated of hours and hours of work. So that is my argument on the merits, Mr. President. I think it really would make sense if we are serious about raising this thing from committee to raise it with those committee amendments. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Schmit, if you would briefly reply because I can....(interruption).

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I had told you I would not speak twice and I did not do so even though some others have. I think the Hoagland motion is ridiculous. It is not the first time I have thought some of the proposals might have been a little bit out of line but it is totally out of line. There isn't any way unless you suspend the rules which I know Senator Beutler is always opposed and would not support to do this sort of thing. The rules need to be followed when a bill is brought from a committee, it's brought not in its raw form but in its pure form as it went into the committee, just like a newborn babe it comes on the floor and then we begin there. Now the committee has had more than two months to agree upon those amendments. The reason they have not come to the floor as committee amendments is because they were not agreed upon, they were not sustained. Now I think that to try at this late date to hopscotch the issue by tacking on the very amendments which, of course, I oppose, and it's not only the amendments I oppose, would be ridiculous. Senator Hoagland is apparently taking a little count. I haven't counted any votes, but maybe Senator Hoagland feels the bill will come to the floor and he doesn't want to lose and I don't like to lose, but I would rather lose than to ruin the system that we have provided for redress. I want to point out once again the committee is a four and four committee. The committee in the next session is going to be the same committee