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LB 318

SENATOR CLARK: Is there any more amendments on the bill?

CLERK: Mr. President, yes, sir, there are. Mr. President, Senator Koch has an amendment on page 1932, Senator. This is the second one of your two.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Chairman, I object to Senator DeCamp's strategies. If we are going to deal with this subject sometime, we might as well deal with it today. One of the reasons we are dealing with this subject today is because the Speaker came back to me and said, do you mind if we lay this bill over until tomorrow? Others said to the Speaker, I am talking about Senator Marvel, people have come here today with the purpose of watching this body in action and they came here for one reason and that is 318. So if we are going to use our time, let's get right down to the issue. The issue is, is this subject germane? I don't care whether you try to do it on Select File or where you try to do it. The Chair presiding said it is not germane. Now Senator DeCamp wants to lay this over but I think this body has enough integrity and honor with people watching us who have interest and they primarily represent the Christian Schools and the children are here. Let's deal honestly with them right now, get to the issue. If you pursue this, I will not take any of my amendments. I will offer a motion to indefinitely postpone 318 because there is some part of that bill that is offensive to some of you people. Now if you want to carry six million dollars to the Governor's Office with you, we will do it, but I think the issue is germaneness and I am ready to argue germaneness, in terms of court cases, under the Nebraska Constitution, Article III, Section 14. The cases are very clear. Anderson versus Tiemann. Affholder versus State. City of Mitchell versus Western Public Service Company. They all deal with titles that deal with subject matter and so I am ready to take that issue up. I am ready to argue germaneness and several of us are. I would object to Senator DeCamp withdrawing his amendment because that is the real issue of this bill. The rest of it was really noncontroversial after I raised it because I was going to strike a certain section that obviously did not have the support of the majority of this body. So let's get on with the issue.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator DeCamp.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Sobeit, sobeit, Mr. Chairman or Mr. President, I, therefore, challenge the Chair. I would note for the members of the body, Mason's Rules of Order, which is pretty much