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the Chair on issues such as this, we will have more problems and more of our time will be eroded away. If the Chair is overridden, it is my intention and I have never done this before and I don't want to do it, to add amendments. I know other Senators will add amendments and we will use up hours and hours and hours on this one issue. So I feel and I ask you to not support the issue to override the Chair. Thank you, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Hoagland.

SENATOR HOAGLAND: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I would like to just briefly concur with Senator Haberman's remarks. As Senator Haberman indicated, we have extensively debated this bill twice on General File and it has failed to advance. Now with respect to the correctness of the Speaker's ruling, Chapter 2 of LB 243 that Senator Schmit is attempting to add by way of an amendment deals with the eminent domain powers of Natural Resource Districts, while LB 146 which is up on Final Reading today contains three or four desirable and important amendments to the Groundwater Management Act. The subjects are very different. I think there is constitutional problem of having duplicate...dealing with two separate subjects as well as the germaneness problem pointed out by the Speaker. I think if we allow this to happen on this particular bill, we are going to see a lot of other attempts to bump bills from General File up to Final Reading in the remaining ten days of this session, and it indeed would set a very bad precedent for our remaining deliberations. So I would encourage that the Chair be supported on this particular vote. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, we could debate the issue a long while. I do not wish to do that. For a long while we have always known the facts that Natural Resource District legislation dealt with two chapters, Chapter 2, Chapter 46, but I have told you when I started this, I did not want to engage in lengthy debate. I do not necessarily appreciate but I do I suppose have to somewhat back away from the threat of the powerful Senator from Imperial, Nebraska, who has threatened to tie up the Legislature for the balance of nine days, and I think that in view of that intimidation this farmer from Butler County will ask, Mr. President, to withdraw the motion to override the Chair. I hope that in the future that other Senators will also understand, because if we are going to do this, you know, we are all done for the rest of the session. I did not want to engage in lengthy debate. There used to be