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SENATOR CLARK: Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 28 ayes, no nays, Mr. President, to cease debate.

SENATOR CLARK: All right, Senator DeCamp, do you want to close?

SENATOR DeCAMP: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, yes, Senator Beutler, I am extremely familiar with that case and there is only one person in the room that is more familiar, a guy named Loren Schmit. The case you are talking about was the famous tube case. Remember the tube out of the...I think it was the Omaha National Bank across the street. Just before the Legislature was to adjourn, a ruling came from somewhere... I see Cal and everybody smiling, you all remember the tube case, don't you...new information came down on an issue that had never ever been before this Legislature before and said, hey, the tube is really not what it is supposed to be, it is something else. So we gutted a bill on Final. We knew the risks at the time because the issue had never been in the Journal, had never been anywhere. Here we do have five days. I think that is safe enough in itself. Additionally, the issue has been before the body, and finally, finally and maybe most importantly if we are wrong you should be the happiest ones in the world because then you will be able to put all the little Christians in jail or close their schools or lock them up, or whatever. So, you should be deliriously happy if we are wrong. I think it is constitutional. I am satisfied in my own mind, and so I would urge you to suspend the rules and give Senator Koch and Senator Warner or other signers of the proposal, Senator Stoney, Kremer, so on and so forth, their chance to at least utilize their solution to resolve this issue for one year until it can be addressed in January by a new Legislature without sending people to jail or closing down schools.

SENATOR CLARK: For what purpose do you rise, Senator Haberman?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Point of order, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: State your point.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Two wrongs don't make a right.

SENATOR CLARK: Neither do two lefts. The question before the House is a suspension of the rules as stated by