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make everything stationary, then reverse the incorrect direction that it was moving. So I think the Chair's ruling was right and I think the body was absolutely wrong last night, but if you don't want to look bad, if you are more concerned about how you appear than you are about doing what is right, then you have got to vote to overrule the Chair. You have got to vote the way you voted with Senator Lamb last night. So I don't think you have any choice. I do. Others who are willing to look at the issue and think about it have a choice. Those who unthinkingly who are moved by their prejudices are left without a choice. You must vote to overrule the Chair. I will not. I think his ruling is correct and it gives us an idea of what we are going to do when we talk about germaneness even though we are not discussing it in a strictly legal and technically correct fashion.

PRESIDENT: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: I withdraw my motion.

PRESIDENT: All right, motion is withdrawn to overrule the Chair. We will go then to Senator Koch's...now you will withdraw this motion and you are withdrawing your motion now and you are going to the motion on the desk.

SENATOR KOCH: That is correct.

PRESIDENT: Read the motion of Senator Koch.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Koch would move to suspend Rule 7, Sections 3 and Rule 1, Sections 12 so as to permit consideration of the Koch amendments contained in request 1806 to LB 933 without further debate on germaneness issues or challenging the Chair.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. President and members of the body, I apologize for creating the controversy, and to Senator Chambers I apologize if I have ever offended him intentionally. I would never try to do that. But I do believe that the amendments that are before you are of such a nature and issue that they have statewide import to the area of public education. So, therefore, that is why I am offering a suspension of the rules. I hope we can go by the issue of germaneness because it takes 30 votes to suspend and we can deal with each of the three remaining amendments on the merits that we have tried to set forth to you. Thank you.

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