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bill we are talking about is such a long bill. It is all of three pages.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Landis, do you wish to close?

SENATOR LANDIS: Yes, I do. Something is afoot. Ah-h-h! Even Dave, slow as I may be, can figure that out. This is not the normal order. This bill coming up today is not the normal order. That is why we are suspending the rules to make it come up today. There are, what, 20 to 25 candidates for these kinds of choices that could come up on Friday and these four have been pulled out, not at my request, not at the request of anybody on behalf of 591, but out of the candidates for consideration on Friday, four bills have been pulled out for some reason to suspend the rules to have them come up today. Now neither I nor anybody else that I know of that has pushed the bill has requested this special treatment that the Speaker has chosen to exhibit in this case by taking it out of the normal order and giving it this special priority and I don't understand why this bill is being singled out. I guess I do. I guess Senator Lamb probably has some strong feelings about any number of recent issues perhaps but there is no rhyme or reason to the selection of this bill compared to any of the other 20 or 30 bills that we will be looking at on Friday. This is out of the normal order and not at the suggestion of somebody who wants to have it considered, and although I would expect the Speaker to be upheld, it is my contention that special and vindictive treatment is being used by the selection of this measure and I for that reason object to the treatment and have sought to have it deleted from this list.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Lamb, do you want to respond to that?

SENATOR LAMB: Just one comment, that is not true what Senator Landis said. We took all the bills that could possibly be read today and put in that category. Now the reason for that is so that we can get them passed today and the Governor can have them over there and we have an override capability. Now that was not singled out. All the bills that were eligible to be read today are on the list. No bill was singled out but the rules have to be suspended because they have not been on your desk for two days. So all those bills are here and the reason for it is not what Senator Landis indicates. It is because we want to get the Final Reading out of the way as soon as possible in order to clear the agenda and also to allow override potential in this body.

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