

Wehrbein's amendment, but the fact of the matter is that I think if you read that last sentence, even though sometimes this body, we have used section to determine what, indeed, is germane, I kept looking at that last sentence and talked about what is the subject. The subject is tuition of Senator Chizek's bill. The subject of Senator Wehrbein's amendment is muni bonds and I simply do not think that though in maybe the letter of the rule, theoretically, if you do choose to adhere to the philosophy of same section it is germane, I think if you adhere to the philosophy it has to be the same subject, I think Senator Wehrbein's amendment has failed that litmus test and I encourage the body to sustain the Speaker and use this ruling as a precedent for the entire session. Because as we all know, as the session continues to move forward, we will see more and more of these amendments. Of course, just the other day, I tried to amend a bill on Final Reading that, I mean, you are going to see more of that and I have been guilty of it myself. I think it is important that we deal specifically in the subject matter of the bill, and not get carried away of a Christmas tree theory and amending amendments to bills that simply have nothing to do with the subject. I don't think Senator Wehrbein's amendment has anything to do with the subject and intent of Senator Chizek's bill and, therefore, I urge the body to sustain the Speaker's ruling.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Any other discussion on the motion? Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. President and members of the body, I rise to support the Speaker. I think this is a good ruling, and it is going to set a precedent for the rest of the session. This definitely is a different subject because we are talking about tuition tax credits in the bill and now Senator Wehrbein is trying to amend into this bill tax exempt bonds. The Revenue Committee has saw fit to kill Senator Wehrbein's bill, and two years ago we passed, the whole body passed LB 773 where we said that out of state municipal bonds would be taxed, and the reason we did this is because I felt that it was only fair to treat the other or the people in the other states the same as we were being treated in their states. And so I think the Speaker has made a good ruling here and I would urge you to uphold that ruling.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Anyone else care to speak? Senator Hall.