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LB 781

issue of germaneness while the Chair takes a look.

SENATOR NELSON: No, I (interruption).

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Anyone care to speak to the issue of germaneness?

SENATOR SMITH: I do.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Again, I would state that it is not germane. LB 703 deals with Section 53-179. LB 781, which deals with licensure and not with when alcohol can be sold or served, does not even refer to that section of the statutes.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Anyone else care to speak to the issue of germaneness? Thank you. Senator Smith, you are correct in your assertion that 781 does deal with liquor licenses and standards and who issues those standards, and the standards that must be considered, and, of course, the prohibition of the consideration of any other standards. The amendment offered by Senator Hall does speak to the matter of when alcoholic liquor may be sold, and using a strict interpretation, it would appear that they might be different subject matters and the Chair would, therefore, rule that the amendment is perhaps germane, Senator Hall, but not germane enough. Therefore, the Chair rules the amendment out of order.

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Oh, my, Mr. President and members, I guess I have the desire to overrule the Chair, but maybe not enough of a desire. It seems that we just came from an NCSL conference down in New Orleans where they currently allow for alcohol not only to be served on Sundays, but you can walk down the street with it, and I noticed a few of our colleagues from other states doing that. Of course, none of the Nebraska delegation was. I, at this point, guess that, based on strictly the issue of germaneness, I would move to overrule the Chair, not on the...can I ask for one minute of the Chair's time, Mr. President?