

and this bill their day in court, so to speak. I believe it's proper and it's right and no bill, in my opinion is more important. To say that it's going to take time from any of the bills that I have, sure I have some bills which I would like to see move but this bill, to me, transcends those bills and I am willing to let those bills of mine fall by the wayside at this time. And there will be those individuals who have an interest in some of my bills who will be weeping and wailing in the rotunda but that is the way the ball bounces sometimes and I'm ready to let the thing fall as it stands right here today. I think that the bill ought to be reconsidered and Senator Labeledz ought to have a chance to advance it to Select File. And I ask you to do so.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Mr. President. I rise also in support of the suspension of the rules motion that Senator Labeledz has before us. And I do that as speaking for the first time on the bill. The issue of suspending the rules is clearly just another motion that we have that allows us to move through the system one way or another with regard to debate on an issue and when there has been the amount of debate that has taken place on a bill whether you happen to be in support or in opposition of that measure. I think that is good. I was not either a supporter, Senator Moore, of the cloture rule and I would never support a cloture rule. I don't think that that is necessary. I think that for us to be able to debate various issues, whether they be amendments by proponents or opponents on this bill or any other, is good and that's what we're here to do, that's what the system allows us to do. Suspending the rules at this time though does not in any way, I think, harm either those who opposed this measure or, in essence, really help those who support it. LB 769 is a bill that folks are either for or they're against. There is not much indecision out there. I think the amount of time, April 24th, or whenever the debate started, that we have spent on this bill has clearly changed few minds, I think, with regard to the issue. It needs to be an up or down vote. The time for that to take place, I think, has come and I think that, you know, the questions that have been asked by opponents could never be answered, Senator Landis, satisfactorily to anyone who is opposing the bill. It just won't happen. There's not a good enough answer because it is a yes or a no decision on this issue. And your position, I respect that as one of no, and my position is one of yes. So