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PRESIDENT: You have heard the motion. Senator Warner, please.

SENATOR WARNER: I have another motion.

PRESIDENT: Oh, all right. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. Okay. The question is, shall the bill advance? All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 12 nays on the motion to readvance the bill, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The bill is advanced. Now you have something on the desk, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Warner would move to return the bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner, please.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, this is an equity issue at this point. The motion...and, admittedly, I am assuming what I sent up to the desk can be the direction to E & R appropriately addressed but it would exempt all ticket sales from an organization that...whose memberships are exempt by virtue of the adoption of the amendment we just did. I see no rationale that those who buy a daily ticket pay sales tax and those who buy a season ticket do not. That just is policy that's beyond me. So I would move the bill be returned for the adoption of such an amendment. I have no idea what the fiscal impact is.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I strongly support Senator Warner's amendment. And for those who say that the aim of the prior amendment is to help these nonprofit organizations, this may help them even more by putting them in a position to promote the fact that you do not have to pay a sales tax if you purchase the ticket on a daily basis in the same way that those who buy the memberships don't have to pay the sales tax. So I am in favor of this amendment. Oh, and one other thing. Senator Labeledz, I didn't say big corporations do buy them. I said big corporations can buy memberships. But let me ask you a question. Does the zoo have a policy against