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LB 272A

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, if I could make an argument to the Chair.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Certainly.

SENATOR LANDIS: First, the amendment has been before the body and acted upon by the body in the rejection of the Goodrich amendment. I'm not sure that Senator Lamb's objection is now timely filed and can be considered by the Chair as out of order. Secondly, the amendment that I've offered strikes the provisions of 272A and, in essence, there is nothing for the amendment to lie next to measure its germaneness. The measure is a replacement of that which is there and, in that sense since no two elements coexist between the bill and the amendment, I'm not sure that germaneness applies. Third, in the event one is to apply the germaneness rule, it is whether or not language that is offered achieves a different objective than the introducer's intention. If you'll take a look at the names on the bill and the amendment, I am both the introducer of the bill and the amendment. And it's my intentions that we're being compared to. Let me assure the Speaker that I know my own intentions and I don't intend to achieve a different result than what I want. I'll be pleased to accept the amendment to my own bill. Thank you.

SPEAKER BARRETT: And our immediate concern, Senator Landis, is AM1935? Senator Landis, we're considering AM1935, is that correct?

SENATOR LANDIS: If that's what is found on 2537, yes, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lamb, any further comment?

SENATOR LAMB: Well, Mr. President, I would just draw your attention to the first page of LB 272A, title page, it says a bill for an act relating to appropriations, to appropriate funds to aid in carrying out the provisions of LB 272, Ninety-First Legislature, First Session. I just maintain that that is not the purpose of the amendment. The amendment is not related to that statement, and therefore is not germane.