

that I want to argue on this bill. But what I like and what I'm seeing etched in stone that can never be erased is the Legislature deliberately and intentionally turning on its own rules, turning them upside down and disregarding its system, and these are the people who are going to preach and tell others about democracy and democratic processes. I'm going to say like that guy who pretends he's a Russian and says, oh, I love this country, I love what the Legislature is doing right now, although I have contempt for what's being done, I love to see it done.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator McFarland, please, followed by Senator Hefner and Senator Landis.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: Thank you, Mr. President. It seems consistency is not one of the rules that is being followed in any of these proceedings. I heard Senator Chambers just now, he said that he used the rules and he was willing to follow them, and then he turned around and said that in the debate on 775 he was offering motions to bracket, knowing that they were excessive and they weren't within the rules themselves. I don't understand how you can say you follow the rules and then yet you disregard the rules as long as no one catches you at it. I don't see any consistency in that. Senator Chambers wasn't here yesterday, some of us were. And I'd just like to reiterate the sequence of events that occurred yesterday. There were some motions to amend that were before us that allowed...there were about four amendments and there was a motion to suspend the rules and advance the bill without further amendment. One of the motions, I think it was Senator Jacky Smith's, and she asked, politely I think and respectfully, if she could substitute another amendment for her amendment. Senator Labeledz did not object, no one in the Chamber objected. Senator Smith submitted her amendment, it was discussed, it was debated, it was voted upon and we went onto the next amendment. Then we got to Senator Bernard-Stevens' amendment that was just before the motion to suspend the rules, and he asked to substitute his amendment. No one objected. Senator Labeledz was courteous, polite, did not object, the amendment was substituted. And then Senator Bernard-Stevens passed out an amendment that had been drafted on January 12th, that had been prepared and written and all prepared, and yet it had never been published in the record, in the Journal for anyone to see. No one had seen this amendment ever before that time. And then not only had no one ever seen it, then he moved to divide the question, not into