

of the...or the, I think, the majority of the members who are doing this type of stalling tactic and this kind of dilatory procedures. I will explain my vote on the motion not to overrule the Chair when he said the question was not divisible. The first thing Senator Bernard-Stevens said was he wanted to make the amendment. Then he wanted to divide it into 19 parts. Now he tells us he really didn't mean that the 19 parts necessary, there were really only 7 parts necessary. Now he says he has 25 amendments, but he's not really serious about 25, he's only serious about 6 of them. But he would withdraw them, but yet he supports this whole policy. I think anyone with a reasonable amount of common sense would know that there is a certain inconsistency in those type of alleged reasons for trying to improve the bill. We've had motions to reconsider. We've had motions to cease debate. We've had motions to reconsider votes on ceasing debate, all of those are very dilatory tactics. If you want to discuss the merits of the bill, discuss the merits of the bill when it is being considered, and then...and we have Select File, you can discuss the merits of the bill as well. I think it proper, if you really want to divide this question, you could have divided it into four sections. That is why I did not vote to overrule the Chair. One of them talks about notifying an adult family member. One of them talks about defining a counselor. One strikes a provision from a bill, I don't think it's a sensical striking of the provision from the bill. I'm not sure that's correct. And the last one talks about how notice will be. It should have been...in my view, if you wanted to divide it, it should have been divided into four parts. But here we get 19 parts, 7 parts, 25 amendments, 6 amendments, motions to reconsider, motions to suspend, motions to rerefer. That is why the Legislature looks like a foolish and sometimes nonsensical body to the rest of the public in the state that we are supposed to serve. I would urge that we consider these amendments as they come up. There are motions to suspend the rules, if 30 votes are possible to suspend the rules and proceed with the bill, I think that is the appropriate way to do it. Thank you.

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

SENATOR NELSON: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I guess I, too, want to express my frustration. One day I hear a ruling on rules one way, the next day we hear a ruling on the rule the next day. No wonder we're made a laughing stock by the public.