

the amendments. It just seems to me we are diverting ourselves from other work at hand and that's the main point I'm trying to make, and I wish we could get back to the agenda.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Labeledz, followed by Senator McFarland.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Mr. President, unfortunately we haven't even...no one has yet to speak on the amendment. Senator Landis and Senator Chambers, more or less, have been speaking on LB 769. After Senator Landis's amendment, you have an amendment on your desk which is LB 769 which I put up there this morning which was going to strike the original sections of LB 688 and it's AM2892. And Senator Chambers has informed me that if he has to stay here all day, and I'm sure that he will do everything he can to prevent me from getting to that motion, but I did want the members of the Legislature to see that I have in front of me approximately 19,000 signatures that are from the residents of Nebraska only in regard to the support they have for the pro-life movement and especially for LB 769. Definitely we will have to go through Senator Landis's amendment, and I'm not going to tell you now or give you any lengthy explanation of my amendment. It is LB 769 and it will come up and I have a suspension of the rules there for germaneness. I also have a suspension of the rules for...with no further debate or no further amendments. So if we can get through Senator Landis's amendments, then we will naturally come up with mine, and I will now give the remainder of my time to Senator Lindsay.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lindsay, approximately three minutes.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Thank you, Mr. President, members, I guess I would just point out we are on the motion to return to Select File. I think the rules say that that's what we're supposed to be debating and not on the merits on the amendment itself. That doesn't surprise me that we would stray from there because when it comes to LB 769 or LB 854 or, as we saw yesterday, extending that to any bill before it, the rules become pretty much a mockery as does the system itself. The system that we talk about that is designed to protect these rights which we are destroying in our efforts to do that. The motion is one to return to Select File. The reason for that motion is for an amendment that if we ever...to amend prospectively I guess, an amendment which it is suspected will be incorporated into the bill. That motion to return, that amendment would strike all