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PRESIDENT: No, as I understand it, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: The one that would try to move all nine bills,...

PRESIDENT: Right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ... that would not be amendable.

PRESIDENT: That's right. It's one motion that suspends several rules, is my understanding as the reason for that.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But then there is a second motion. See, if you have one motion to suspend the rules, and in the past you'd say you suspend the rules so that all these...so the bill can be advanced without discussion and debate. All right, that cannot be amended. That rule suspension motion cannot be amended. But we don't have that situation here where we have two separate motions. One is to suspend the rule in order that a motion can be made to move those...all those bills. So maybe I shruld rephrase the question again. Will the second motion be amendable, say to add all of the committee bills, too?

PRESIDENT: Or perhaps delete one or two from the list, is that what your question is?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Or add my priority bill, which is not on this list.

PRESIDENT: Well, I believe the motion is... I believe the motion is just considering the ones that are on number five, the General File list, it's my understanding.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And that, according to your ruling, would be...cannot be amended?

PRESIDENT: I would say, yes, that's true.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, I'm going to object to the moving of the bills, not to the motion. The motion can be made. I'm in opposition to the motion. And I can certainly understand why Senator Labedz is doing this. The bill that is the underlying reason for this is LB 854, and we all know that. This is allowable, and I don't blame them for trying to do it.