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Machine vote has been requested. All in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 7 ayes, 20 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to adjourn.

PRESIDENT: The question before us at the moment is to readvance the bill to Final Reading. It is debatable, yes. Senator Owen Elmer, you are first.

SENATOR ELMER: I would like to make a statement for a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT: Pardon me, I can't hear you.

SENATOR ELMER: I would like to make a point of personal privilege.

PRESIDENT: State your point.

SENATOR ELMER: I think the insinuation by some persons that Senator Barrett in any way aided either faction in the abortion debate is ill-conceived. Each of us should feel obligated to point out the person elected by us to act as our Speaker is bound by our own rules and obligated to keep them. I think we should applaud him for his behavior during this divisive debate.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Schmit, please, followed by Senator Pirsch.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, I rise to oppose the motion to readvance the bill. The bill is dead as of now. When the body voted to return the bill to Select File that took it off Final Reading and if it's going...if it were to be readvanced I believe that it would have to lay there another day. I am not sure, but I think it would have to lay there another day, and I think it would be wrong to do it anyway. I just want to say this to the persons who call themselves pro-life. It is kind of interesting, you got yourself whipsawed around yesterday. Senator Chambers and Senator Bernard-Stevens demonstrated their skill. They used the system, they used it very effectively. They used it demonstrably better than we do, and they, for all practical purposes, played this Legislature like a bow fiddle. They have played it that way many times and they will do it again, and again, and again, and the reason,

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