

been mentioned here recently but also for another reason. And I think...I think we should look at one more option and that's to go back to the Governor's first plan, plan A. Look...think about that again. That's not so bad. That's the one where it would be a homestead exemption where the homeowners are going to be held harmless. And with possibly some minor modification to the Governor's first plan, I continue to think that probably is one of the best plans that have been...that has been advanced.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Lamb. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I...my first inclination, as I did cast a vote for that amendment, was the assumption there's several...several ways to approach, obviously. One is buying some time. I can attempt to do that, go along with that concept too and support the bracket motion. The other thought that Senator Hall mentioned in his closing which also made a lot of sense to me is that we would withdraw all these amendments, advance the bill and work with knowing full well that it would not have 25 votes, then we would work with specific amendments which are not amendable. Serious enough that two discussions on each proposal, one to return the bill for it and then to adopt it, makes some sense and knowing that when you get...you're dealing with a package as opposed to something that could be subject to a variety of amendments makes it much more difficult to work with because you have no idea what else might be attached. And that appealed to me when Senator Hall suggested that in his closing. And, on that basis, I voted for it. If a majority of the body wishes to just simply bracket the bill and keep us where we're at with amendments being potentially offered to amendments, it's going to make it much more difficult to work through. But I'm certainly willing to do that. I would have preferred if all amendments would have been withdrawn and we work with specific amendments and we are not in a position of amendments on amendments which do not, as we have seen tonight, do not lead to any kind of an orderly consideration. But if the majority wishes to bracket it, hopefully, the same could be accomplished. I think it would have worked better the other way though.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Warner. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President. I...initial reaction is to rise in opposition to the bracket. And I appreciate Senator Conway's concerns for redistricting, rough translation