

overruled. The Chair should be sustained. If we're going to have a clot...this body did determine a year ago we were going to have a cloture motion and that cloture motion, if it has any meaning at all, it cannot stand second to anything. That was one of the reasons I raised the point of order that I did and I do not question the Chair's call on the point of order that I made or that Senator Lindsay made. Probably raising parliamentary points of order are an inherent right within the body and that probably was an appropriate motion to be made and it was probably an appropriate call by the Chair, but we have now established that as a precedent that the cloture motion is not, in fact, a sacrosanct sort of thing, that there are other things. But if a motion to reconsider is superior to a motion to...to...for cloture, then, in fact, we have no cloture motion. The cloture motion means that the body, by a super majority, and, by the way, I don't think a suspension of the rules is in order, otherwise we could offer some if we...we know we're sitting real close to 33 votes on this and we could offer a motion to suspend the 33-vote requirement and have it be a 30-vote requirement. But I don't think that's appropriate. I think when the time you file a cloture motion that means that the body must make a decision as to whether the debate is over and they want to continue to vote. And if you allow a reconsideration motion to take precedence over a cloture motion, then every motion that we have had today can be filed and we can rerun everything we have already done. Obviously, is not the intent of a cloture motion. I would be shocked to hear anybody claim that it is. The...in a technical sense, the two rules are in conflict in the rule book. Both of them indicate that they have superiority over the other. The Chair had to make a call and the Chair made the correct call. Because of the nature of the cloture motion, I should also point out that the language in the rules that Senator Hall is quoting was in the rules and it applied to all the motions that were in the rules at the time that that rule was made. The rule that is the cloture motion was passed subsequent to that and I would argue that the more current rule, the more modern rule will take precedence over the older one. And the reference of Roberts Rules of Order, I know it has been mentioned a time or two, I don't know that...I think we follow the rules of the Nebraska Legislature, I don't know that we do follow Roberts Rules of Order. There are other manuals of parliamentary procedure, a Mason's Manual is one which is, I think, used more frequently by Legislatures than is Roberts Rules of Order. And I do not know what that particular point has to do, probably my raising it, I don't know what that