

different times on a couple of different bills already this year. It is not all that infrequent that it happens. But I understand the issue, the problem is that in this case you need to, I think, overrule the Chair and go about the process of changing the rules because the rules is where the problem is and the...presently before us right now the other problem, with all due respect, Madam President, is with the ruling from the Chair on this issue. The question of cloture should come into play at the point in time where I think the bill is in final form, where the proposal has been harassed, where there have been numerous amendments that don't purport to change anything in the proposal. But look at what we just got done doing. We just got done amending the bill as the proponents wish in order to put it in place, with the reconsideration motion. They follow that up with a cloture motion which cuts off debate and argue that the...at this point in time the issue should be silent and we should do nothing further to the bill except advance it to Final Reading. Ladies and gentlemen, they have changed the substance of the bill and then asked that it not be addressed, it not be looked at any further. And the bill, as it exists, is at least \$5 million short, period. That's what we're sending over to Final Reading. You need to know that when you vote on this. I would urge you to overrule the Chair because reconsideration, whether you use Robert's or whether you use Mason's, at any point in time has the priority over a cloture rule the way they're drafted under the Nebraska rules. All Nebraska rules, and I don't sit on the Rules Committee, but all the rules in the Nebraska Legislature are drafted not to supersede rules that currently exist in the handbook but to coincide and to be incorporated with the balance of the rules. That's how we do it. This one slipped through, that's all. It needs to be adjusted at some point down the road, I would guess. But that's for another day. Right now, reconsideration is a priority and the Chair should be overruled.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hall. We will now...Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: A call of the house and a roll call vote, please.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Call of the house has been requested. All those in favor please vote aye, opposed nay. Please record, Mr. Clerk.