

SENATOR CONWAY: Senator Moore, you're next, please.

SENATOR MOORE: Mr. President, if the Clerk would answer a question. How many other amendments are filed?

CLERK: Senator, at this point I have no further amendments pending.

SENATOR MOORE: I understand we don't always trust each other in here and there is oftentimes good reason for that, but if there's no other amendments filed, I guess I don't understand why you need to suspend the rules and vote on it. I'm not going to file any more amendments. I prefer to do it, instead of setting the precedent of shutting off debate as we did last night, I would ask the body to not suspend the rules, debate the bill to advance it and then advance it if that's what you want to do obviously, I may not be voting for it, but I don't think we need to suspend the rules if there is no amendments sitting there.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Moore. Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. Chairman, members, I have pulled an amendment which I had filed which I think deserves debate but which I will not file this afternoon and I agree with Senator Moore. I think we could perhaps debate 219 a little bit yet and then vote, but I'm not going to vote for the suspension of the rules. I think it can be done without that. Thank you.

SENATOR CONWAY: Thank you, Senator Schmit. Senator Hall, you're next.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President, excuse me, Mr. President, I missed the mustache. Members of the Legislature, I don't think there is a need to suspend the rules. Either I wish that would go away so we could just debate the advancement of the bill and I doubt that there's going to be much of that. I don't intend to speak to it again at all. I was told that I was losing my sense of humor over this issue and that I was, just this lunch hour by a lobbyist, and he said it was ruining my personality and that I should not be as intense on this tax issue as I have in the past. I intend to take that advice. I think it was good advice. I think it was well thought out and it was advice that was sincere because he said, you know, that's not the thing to do. So I took that advice. I