

Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I have to ask Senator Bernard-Stevens a question. Senator Bernard-Stevens, did I hear you correctly when you said if we offer amendments that had already been offered and defeated we'll be here a long time?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: If on General File, yes, if we continue to offer.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay, but that's not a reason not to offer the amendments again, is it?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: In my judgment it would be, Senator, maybe not in yours. If the same people said no, I'd go to the same people and ask them again, chances are they are still going to say no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So then you would not be one of those who would offer an amendment once it has been defeated?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Unless I had assurances that I had the 25 and the votes changed.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Has that always been your legislative philosophy?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I have learned from Senator Warner that there is a phrase that I've picked up as that was then and this is now.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. That's what I wanted to establish. Some people have not had the benefit of sitting near Senator Warner so they must learn from their own attempts to achieve those legislative goals that they think are worthy of achieving. I would like to ask Senator Schellpeper a question.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: Yes, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Schellpeper, I think, if I heard you correctly, that you gave as your main reason for opposing Senator Robak's amendment the expense that would be involved.

SENATOR SCHELLPEPER: The expense and that we're going to be