

up, I think it should be taken up under the auspices of suspending the rules.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Crosby, did you wish to address...

SENATOR CROSBY: No, I wanted to speak on the bill, thank you.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Schmit, on the bracket motion. I don't see Senator Schmit. Next speaker would be Senator Robak.

SENATOR ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I support my bracket motion. I urge the body to bracket this...vote for the bracket motion. As I said, we have many, many important bills in front of us and this is a late hour to be putting...hanging a Christmas tree and I think this bill should be heard in its regular order as the rest of our bills have had to be heard and I see no reason for it to be introduced in this fashion. The rest of us have bills and we were anxious to get to them too and I don't think it's out of frustration that we do this, I think it's just out of simple fairness that we should follow the way the Speaker has it on the agenda. Thank you.

SENATOR LAMB: Senator Morrissey, on the bracket motion. I don't see Senator Morrissey. Senator Landis. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Lamb, members of the Legislature, you can vote this up or you can vote this down, but I think it would be irresponsible to bracket it. This is a bill that involves several major programs. It's a bill that involves a great deal of money. It's a bill that has been through the committee process. It has not snuck up on anybody. In every way this is a bill that deserves to be considered by you. We've worked real hard to get it in front of you. We've had a lot of patience with a lot of bills that weren't all that important. It's hard to judge the importance of relative bills, but I think you all would agree that this is an important bill, that it could have some widespread beneficial effects. I would remind you that with landfill closings that it's going to be the only state money available for that. If this state money, if the money in this bill is not available for that, all the money is going to come out of local property taxes and it's going to be a hardship on a great many small communities in the state. So there are a lot of things to think about carefully in this bill before you vote on it one way or another, but to simply bracket it and put