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done in terms of streamlining government. But that will not be what has occurred. You will have changed the name of a department, you will have altered its status, you will have taken away its independence. But not one of those things can be shown, by evidence or facts, to have improved the operation of government or to have helped facilitate carrying out the purpose for which the Department of Personnel was created by the Legislature. Therefore we ought not do this. I don't think something that has gone on for a long time should continue to go along only because it's been in place for a long time. But if it's going to be changed there should be a reason given to show the purpose and the justification for the change. Senator Conway and others who took a lot of physics know what inertia is. Once a body, a physical body is in motion there are forces that come into play that try to slow down and ultimately stop that body from moving although some people say there's a tendency for a moving body to continue moving unless and until something else impedes its movement, and either slows it down or stops it. But in either case once there is movement and a change is to occur, and the change is based on rational thought, there should be a reason for changing that which cannot be shown to be causing harm. Senator Lindsay has not shown any harm being done by the Department of Personnel existing as a department. The Governor, in making his recommendation, did not show any harm that is being done by the department being a department. Neither Senator Lindsay, the Governor, nor any others who support this bill have shown anything of value that will be achieved by this merger. But I and others, some of them among you who will vote for this bill, have questions about the harm that may be caused by this merger. That's why I offered the reconsideration motion. I think all reference...

SPEAKER BAACK PRESIDING

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SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...all reference to the Department of Personnel should be stripped from this bill.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Anyone else wishing to discuss the motion by Senator Chambers? Seeing no one, Senator Chambers, did you wish to close on your motion to reconsider?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, Mr. Speaker. And using an analogy, I