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call it that, engage in extended debate, I would have done it. There are a lot of legitimate amendments that can be offered to this bill and I had a divided mind on it. There have been too many times that bad bills will come through here with which I disagree and I'll take the time to read it, fashion amendments and try to improve it and I think I have actually taken some bad bills which were unconstitutional and helped make them good enough so they could withstand muster and they passed over my objection. I'm not going to do that with every bill. I probably shouldn't have offered any amendments to this one, but here's what I am going to look at. When Micron does not come to Nebraska and we have distorted our process and people's feelings have...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...been hurt, groups have been angered, the Governor has whipped the rural senators into line, people have been threatened and told, well, this is a small body and there is a price to pay if you don't do what I want you to do, all of that, and Micron doesn't come. It's going to be like they always say, dressed up for a party and no place to go. Put on all your lipstick, powder and paint, stood out on the street corner and the man looks and says, I don't want you, I don't even want you. If that's what Micron's attitude is, is that a rejection of the Legislature? They don't even care about the Legislature. It just means they found some place they'd rather be and they had a little fun in the process watching a farmer Legislature jump through the hoops. That's the way they view Nebraska. When I was in New York and had to come back to Nebraska and told people I had to stop in Chicago they said, is Chicago closer to New York than Nebraska? They don't even know what goes on here...

SENATOR CROSBY: Time.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...because they don't even know where it is.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President, members, I rise in opposition to the motion to suspend the rules. The motion is, I think, what I understood to be the rules we were going to play by on these issues, on these three bills, it was my understanding that, in effect, based on the timetables that were