

up. Senator Crosby was so hurt by the fact that I made the comment and what she wished I would not do to hurt my effectiveness, brought it up on the floor of the Legislature. I did not say the matter was not legislative, it wasn't brought up on the floor of the Legislature, don't bring it up to me now I'm not going to discuss it. I responded, not by asking for mercy or saying I'm being badgered. Never have I said that. If I am in public life, and now I'm talking about me, and I'm going to deal with issues that are high profile and...

SENATOR CROSBY: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...controversial, I expect the criticism and I expect the condemnation and you have never heard me ask for quarter, never, never. So, when Senator Withem undertakes to do something and the heat comes, just cover your head up and take it. But don't say, this is advice now, I can't order him, don't say I'm not going to answer a question, don't say I'm not going to be badgered. As much as Senator Witek has irritated me, she cannot mention one time that I have said, Senator Witek, I'm not going to answer your question, never. That is my little contribution to this.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you Senator Chambers. Any further discussion on the Hall motion? Seeing none, Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President, members. Again, I rise to offer the motion because I wanted an explanation. It was inadequate at best. But, the real reason I brought it back was to make the point that there is a way to do things and a way to do things. And, even though Senator Withem argues that somehow the cloture motion doesn't give a God-given right to individuals to use eight hours of debate, I would argue that is true. I would agree with him. But his original proposal laid out that knowing full well that we probably were either going to or I believe he thought we probably needed to. When you are talking about major public policy of this type, that needs to be discussed. That is all this amendment did. It raised an issue that said, look, lets discuss what this is about. What we are doing in terms of the discussion here right now we could have done the other night. There probably wasn't five minutes of this debate that was spent on the substantive issue of the amendment, it might have been twenty and it might have been eleven o'clock instead of, I guess it was eleven thirty-five actually when we adjourned the other night. The issue for me is