

going to do that, let's bracket every bill that has 15 cents on it, bracket them till May 5th till we know what we are going to spend, and we know it is ridiculous. I think it was a ridiculous amendment, and he is a good friend of mine, but I think it was a ridiculous amendment to try to bracket this bill on General File. It was a ploy to kill the bill whether we like it or not. Senator Engel knows it, everyone else know it. I think it is an amendment that should be defeated and defeated very promptly. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. And I appreciate the comments of my good friend, Senator Robinson, and no umbrage has been taken certainly. We always have the differences of opinion. Quite honestly, do I expect this bracket motion to pass? Of course not. Everyone would...I mean the first logic that one would use is, well, if we are going to be afraid of every A bill, why don't we bracket all of them till after the budget. Maybe that would be a good way of doing our business, and, obviously, that is not what is going to happen here, and I doubt very seriously this particular bracket motion is going to get to a vote, but it will begin the discussion that is going to take most of the afternoon about this particular bill, and so I think members should kind of hunker down and try to understand that this is not going to move very quickly this afternoon, at least as now as we speak. Senator Engel, would you yield to a couple of questions at this point?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Engel.

SENATOR ENGEL: Certainly, yes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Senator Engel, I am looking at the amendment, and I am looking specifically at page, actually the bottom of page 2, going on to page 3.

SENATOR ENGEL: Okay.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Well, let me phrase this...let me slip this, I will hit that one later, go on the bottom of page 3 over to page 4, and we talk about the...the language, I understand, that defines what a business that qualifies under this, I understand this language is taken from LB 829. And there wasn't