

nongermane amendment and we actually get this in and, then I would work very vigorously not to suspend the rule on the next one because Senator Warner's bill actually does I think in a better way what also some of the intentions Senator Jones was trying to do. And Senator Jones is shaking his head yes as I think he agrees with that. So I think there is a potential here and I would like to see us do so. I wanted to make those comments. It's good fiscal policy for the state. It makes sense for us to do that. As we're putting limitations on local, we need to put limitations on ourselves. It's a rational way of doing so that makes sense and, Senator Jones, could I ask you a question?

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Jones.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Jim, you're one of the cosigners of the upcoming amendments, are you not?

SENATOR JONES: Yes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Are you the principal signer or...

SENATOR JONES: Yes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay. If we were to get this as a nongermane amendment and we suspend the rules for a nongermane amendment and agree with it, would you still want to pursue your amendment?

SENATOR JONES: No, they would conflict. I would just go with Warner's and I'd pull mine.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Okay, and would you be able to support Senator Warner's amendment?

SENATOR JONES: Yes.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: And with that I think we have an opportunity, Senator Warner, to do that and I would encourage you very strongly to just make the motion to suspend the rules for the nongermane amendment or, Senator McKenzie, if you could just simply withdraw your challenge to the Chair on the germaneness, I think we've got an agreement that we'd like to talk about this amendment and get it agreed to. Senator Jones would not then have his amendment afterwards and we could move