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bill. I am a little bit nervous about that one. That's...that's my only concern. So, Senator Withem, you raised a very valid and accurate point.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, I voted against Senator Pedersen's effort last time it was before us, and I didn't bother to come up and vote against it this time because I knew there were enough votes for it to go, but I think you ought to do what Senator Bernard-Stevens wants you to do and put two riders on this horse, and let one person knock them both off with one shot. And I would advise Senator Bernard-Stevens not to be too quick to say that these things will not be challenged. I am trained in the law, and on some issues as simple as this where the issues are not complex, and it won't take a lot of time to brief, there are no factual disputes, I could easily do this, and I "betcha" I will rack up another win in the State Supreme Court. It will be the responsibility of the Attorney General to defend this, and I delight in whipping him. So I hope that you all will do this, suspend the germaneness rule, adopt what Senator Bernard-Stevens wants you to adopt, and I assure you that I will challenge the bill as being unconstitutional. You are talking about the expenditure of public money, and as a taxpaying citizen I have a concern about that. I am a member of the Legislature, but I'd like to ask Senator Bernard-Stevens another question because this may come up again, Senator Bernard-Stevens, your amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: When you offer this amendment, will you put in a proviso that the site cannot be any of those that people had selected or purchased or obtained options on for the purpose of Micron? Are you willing to eliminate and exclude those from consideration for this purpose?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Right now I support the words that were within the concept proposed to us the other evening, and that's what this amendment would do. That amendment that I support, and this amendment that I support would not do what you suggested.