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that concept, but this rule does not change that at all. I think everything that you have said that you would like to see continue in place will, in fact, continue in place.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you. And with that understanding I do support the rule change, primarily because I think it'll lead to a better, logical, more cohesive group of pieces of legislation that'll come together. The floor obviously has the ability to say, look, there wasn't a hearing, we don't like this, vote it out, remove it, divide the question, whatever we do. Those protections are still there. What's important here is that part of the importance of the committee structure is to take all of the information that you have at once and try to distill it down and have the committee refine the bill to put it into the best possible condition that they can. If the introducer doesn't like what's done to their bill and the committee amendment gets adopted, it's real easy to solve. You withdraw your own bill, you do something else with it, you don't have it brought up. So the protection's there against taking it to an introducer and putting things that they don't want on, they always have those remedies. And I think this comports to the custom that we've used. I think it makes for better debate and would hope that the body would adopt this particular rule change. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President and members of the Legislature, it's necessary for me to read very carefully the language that is before us. And I have to ask Senator Withem some additional questions.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Withem.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Withem, first of all I like the proposal, as I stated earlier, being able to offer by way of a committee amendment the total elimination of the contents of a bill and replacing those contents with something else. But as I read this amendment the stricken language and what will be left, I'm not sure that I see that authority. And maybe it doesn't have to be specifically given. Here's what the language