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your opening on your amendment and I may...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENSON: It was so short, it was...

SENATOR BROMM: ..I may have...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENSON: ..it was hard to catch.

SENATOR BROMM: Right, and I do understand it strikes subsection (c), which basically removes the provision that says the Speaker can schedule the proposal and determine the order of amendments and motions. Now this...this, by adopting your amendment, would not in any way infer that we would change the powers that the Speaker has now with respect to scheduling. I mean that...that's not to be inferred in any way, shape or form. Is that...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENSON: No.

SENATOR BROMM: ..correct?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENSON: Not at all.

SENATOR BROMM: And if your amendment was adopted to take away this particular part of the rule proposal...and maybe I should ask you this privately rather than over the microphone, but are you then willing to support the rest of the rule and...

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENSON: Yes.

SENATOR BROMM: ..and get this thing to a vote?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENSON: Yes.

SENATOR BROMM: Okay.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENSON: Privately I'd say "no", but publicly I'd say "yes".

SENATOR BROMM: Oh, would you say "yes"?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENSON: No. No, I...either way, either way, Senator, I would support...with this change I would support the rule.