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SPEAKER WITHEM: It is withdrawn.

CLERK: Senator Chambers would move to amend by amending the Maurstad amendment previously considered and adopted, by striking "five" and inserting "three".

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I withdraw that.

SPEAKER WITHEM: It is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, the next motion I have with respect to proposed rule number 6 is by Senator Beutler. (Read Beutler amendment as found on page 444 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Beutler. Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: (Microphone not activated immediately.) with the Clerk this morning that there would be a motion I had filed that would come prior to the...this motion by Senator Beutler.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator, it's not our desire to get involved in a dispute here about the priority of motions, although I think our motion technically comes first. Senator Bernard-Stevens is asking...I think his motion is for reconsideration for the one important part left in the amendment, or one of two important parts, I guess. And if the body wants to go over that again, we're welcome to do so. We don't want to be foreclosing debate before the normal eight hours. So, with that, I would withdraw the motion to suspend.

SPEAKER WITHEM: It is withdrawn. Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I appreciate Senator Beutler's willingness to work. And just for the record, a member of the Clerk's staff came to me this morning, on the floor, and asked when I wanted to bring up the reconsideration motion, which was a priority motion. And I mentioned I'd want to bring it up right before the suspension motion. Then things moved rather quickly. So there's a communications difficulty. I apologize for any miscommunication we may have had from the Clerk's Office, and I appreciate Senator Beutler's willingness to move