

processes at the local level are permissive and, as Senator Warner noted, for the most part they are subject to voter approval, so this is not something that can be...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Mr. Clerk, I understand there's an amendment filed to the committee amendments.

CLERK: Senator Beutler, would move to amend the committee amendments. (AM3868 is found on pages 1292-93 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Members of the Legislature, the amendment's been passed out to you and you might glance at it a minute, but after the experience with the water bill I appreciate the fact that sometimes the introducers don't have an opportunity to say everything they want about their bills. Senator Wickersham, if you'd like to have more time, you could take my time and I'll explain the amendment afterwards if you would like.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: All right.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: All right. Well, if the membership is not confused about what we're talking about, we're not talking about Senator Beutler's amendment yet and, Senator, I appreciate your agreement to let us continue discussing what's in the committee amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Just for a second, to avoid the confusion, Senator Wickersham, yours was the next light on. Senator Beutler, let's let Senator Wickersham speak for five minutes on his own time, then I'll recognize you to open on your amendment. Senator Wickersham, you are recognized to speak.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: All right. And for clarity of the record