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Mr. Clerk, please call the roll on the question.

CLERK: (Roll call vote taken, Legislative Journal pages 1631-1632.) 9 ayes, 27 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to reconsider.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The reconsideration motion was not successful, and I do raise the call. We are now back to the Revenue Committee amendment. Mr. Clerk. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I do have amendments to the committee amendments. But Senator Chambers has filed a priority motion to recommit the bill to the Revenue Committee.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Chambers, would you come forward, please. Senator Landis, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR LANDIS: I'm asking for the Chair to make a ruling as to whether or not the Chambers motion is in order. And I want to make a point...or, a point of order that I think that it is not in order at the moment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Okay, Senator Landis. Senator Landis, why do you think...why are you thinking this, that it's not in order,...

SENATOR LANDIS: (Laugh) Yeah.

SENATOR CUDABACK: ...the motion filed by Senator Chambers?

SENATOR LANDIS: We had, at the General File level of debate, a motion to recommit. We voted on it yesterday. We also reconsidered that motion, and we voted on it yesterday, at the same level of debate. Unlike the rule on bracket motions, which I think is clear in that you can make subsequent motions even at the same level of debate, it is, I think, ambiguous at best with respect to this motion, and therefore consistent with the general practice, which is that we do not make an amendment that has been offered and failed a second time on the same level of debate. I think this does operate in the Chair's discretion. I don't think the rules are clear. I think the better precedent