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lies in how we treat amendments which have been voted on and failed, and particularly voted...amendments that have been voted on, failed, and then the reconsideration motion has been voted on and failed. Because I think that's where we are now.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Landis. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, a motion to reconsider...recommit is a motion. It's not an amendment. It can be offered on successive days. There is nothing in the rules that prohibits it. And I think it would be a mistake to let the Chair on an ad hoc basis create new rules out of whole cloth. There is nothing in the rules which will say that a motion to recommit cannot be made on successive days. To show the logic, or the illogic, of what Senator Landis and the Clerk have argued--because that's the Clerk's argument--if we had a bill before us, and a motion had been made to recommit yesterday, and it didn't succeed, then we find all kind of problems with the bill today, then a motion cannot be made to recommit that bill, even if the introducer wants to recommit it? That makes no sense. This is not an amendment. This is a motion. When we look at our gadgets right now, you will see either "AM" or "FA" in front of whatever is pending. "AM" is for some kind of amendment; "AM" for amendment. "FA" lets you know it's a floor amendment. "Motion" is signified by the letters "MO." A motion is not an amendment. A motion to reconsider is a motion. So rather than take something which is like something else and compare it to that, you're going to compare it to something which it is dissimilar to, is wrong. Now, let me break that down. If you're going to compare the motion to recommit to something, you should compare it to another motion. And another motion is a motion to reconsider. You're comparing motions to motions. And a motion to reconsider can be made on successive days. A motion to recommit can be made on successive days. Nobody has attempted to compare a motion to reconsider to an amendment, because it's not. The motion to recommit does not change the bill in any way, shape, or form. It's merely putting before the body the request or the opportunity to take a vote on the whole bill without changing the bill in any respect. And that is the same way with a motion to reconsider. It's not an amendment. And I think it's a