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PRESIDENT SHEEHY: We will call the body back to order. Mr. Clerk, do you have any messages, reports, introduction of new bills?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have new bills. (Read LB 1060-1064 by title for the first time.) I also have a hearing notice, Mr. President, from the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee. That's all that I have at this time. (Legislative Journal pages 308-309.)

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. We'll move to the first item on General File.

CLERK: Mr. President, LB 454 on General File. The bill was discussed yesterday, originally introduced by Senator Combs. (Read title.) The bill was discussed, committee amendments were presented, amendments to the committee amendments were presented. Senator Beutler has pending an amendment to the committee amendments. I do have a priority motion, Mr. President. Senator Chambers would move to bracket LB 454 until April 10, 2006.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Mr. President, members of the Legislature, and for the uninitiated, my colleagues are not intentionally being rude by wandering and speaking, but whenever the Governor has come in, there is always some discussion among the senators about what has been said, so if people see some things, it demonstrates that the public often does not have an understanding of the dynamics of the legislative process. And one of the problems that I find with the public schools, I would say private schools, or any place else where young people are supposed to be taught civics lessons, which means the operation of government, too much is given to theory rather than the reality of what goes on when a political process is in operation. It would be good if the schools in some of these districts would invite their senator or the Clerk, or some person who has knowledge of how the Legislature works in practice, to explain what does take place, and when they see