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right thing, we've set up our rules to make it difficult to accomplish this end. I think what Senator Beutler is doing is appropriate, it makes sense. It is an issue that needs to be dealt with, and he is using the rules to give us the opportunity to deal with that issue. As the executive director of a foundation in another life, I certainly stand in strong support of what Senator Beutler is attempting to do. It makes sense. He has made the case why it makes good sense. I think as all of us have listened to his logical arguments, there's every reason in the world to feel that what he is doing is a very positive thing for an organization that has done very, very positive things for the community of Lincoln, for southeast Nebraska, if you will. And I will stand in strong support of their efforts, of their achievements, and what this will enable them to help to grow their foundations, to do the things that are necessary for the people of this community. So I stand in strong support of the suspension of the germaneness rule and will stand in strong support of the amendment. Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I yield my time back to the Chair.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Byars. On with discussion. Senator Foley. Senator Foley waives his opportunity to speak. Further discussion? Senator Beutler, there are no further lights on. You're recognized to close on your motion.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Cudaback, members of the Legislature, I think you all know that this is a motion that will allow us to discuss this bill on its merits, although I think we've probably gone through the merits and the problems on a bill of this nature in our discussion of the motion itself. But the motion requires 30 votes, and we very much would appreciate your help on this. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Mr. Clerk, would you please read the motion before the body?

CLERK: To suspend Rule 7, Section 3(d), to permit consideration of AM2042 as an amendment to LB 75, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Senator Beutler.