

CLERK: Madam President, I do have some others that I think technically need to be withdrawn. Senator Withem, I had two from you, Senator. You'd like to withdraw. Senator Chambers had an amendment printed. Senator Hartnett had a reconsideration motion pending with respect to a motion offered by Senator Chambers. Withdraw. I have nothing further on the resolution at this time, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Chambers...excuse me, Senator McKenzie, first.

SENATOR MCKENZIE: Madam President, with great pleasure I make this last motion to advance LR 15 to E & R for engrossment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator McKenzie. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, Senator Kristensen, some of what you said I agree with one hundred percent. For example, the fact that somebody is in their seat does not mean they're going to do a better job or that they're paying attention or anything else, it merely means that that person is there. This is why I'm not speaking for anybody else, but only for myself. If anybody doubts that I spend time dealing with legislation, just look at the active participation I have on numerous bills, and although some people think it's only for the purpose of trying to delay or whatever, read some of the amendments, read how they are drafted and see the understanding, not only of that bill, but in some cases the constitution and court cases which would be required to draft that motion and those amendments. So I am speaking as one who is very active in the legislative process. I even offered some amendments to Senator Hudkins' bill, a bill that I didn't like at all, and some of the amendments she agreed to, and on the welfare bill and other bills that I did not like. But the point is time is needed. And I think I probably spend more time than anybody else here working this process. And here's why I say it, if I were not going to spend time doing anything and just wanted additional time to loaf, then somebody could suggest that that's why I want the time on Final Reading, so I can just kick back and loaf here, or someplace else. But there are amendments that I have drafted while a bill is being read. And there are some people who often will disagree with those amendments, but others of them have been adopted. And I've even had a person whose bill it was thank me for seeing something that they hadn't