

Senate standoff on immigration bill

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WASHINGTON -- Partisan bickering was threatening the immigration bill before the U.S. Senate Wednesday.

Democrats said they would force a time limit on the bill in an effort to curb Republican amendments to the immigration deal, The Washington Times reported.

Republicans vowed to block the time-limit move with a filibuster. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., said blocking the debate limit would kill the bill for the current session, the Times reported.

"People are looking for excuses on the Republican side to kill this bill," Reid told the Times.

He claimed most of the dozens of Republican amendments to the immigration bill were being introduced by senators with "no intention of voting for this bill, no matter what we do with it."

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