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what is generally accepted on the floor. For instance there is not even a rule at the present time, I don't believe on closing debate and shutting off questions after-wards, but has been in accepted practice in here, in this body, to allow questions after closing, but the problem is it really isn't covered in the rules. We tried this year in order to try to move things along a little more and structure them a little more, but if our chair were to be challenged on that rule, I think probably I would have to retreat, but I, I want to point it out that as a presiding officer I know you can appreciate that it helps if there are more precise rules and yet still we want to leave I think flexibility enough in order for us to accomplish our business.

SENATOR DUIS: How, Mr. President let me say this. The reason I bring these up at odd times, and at frequent intervals I should say, is to promote more specific rules because and I apologize to the Legislature for taking these few minutes of your time, but each time I find one of these, I try to bring it up and provoke a question to the Legislature so that the rule may become more specific, but I still do not think that our rules should take from the chair the right of authority.

SPEAKER: Thank-you sir. A Senator Syas was up first Senator Nore.

SYAS: Yes, all I want to say is that if the, I think its the first rule up, 1:00, I have open to subject up of select file this coming Thursday before the Rules Committee, and I assume that since I've opened it up Senator Duis, it is subject to amendment to the amendment that I put in there and I suppose since I've opened the section or sections up, you could do what ever you want on it. So anyone I would say that I think that as interested in rule change at all, on select file, should be there for or against or amend the rule change that I have suggested. Isn't that correct Senator Duis?

DUIS: Senator, Senator Syas, we announce publicly our rules for meetings here in the Legislature

SYAS: Yes, I said Thursday,

DUIS: and we do it for a reason because we would enjoy very much having more people come to the Rules meeting because we do have, I believe, a good membership on it and we also have had pretty fair attendance from people, and we would like to have people there to amend or to make suggestions and of course the Rules Committee does not establish your rules. They merely bring them before the Legislature so that they may be discussed and adopted or rejected on the floor of the Legislature.

SPEAKER: Senator Nore.

NORE: A Mr. President and fellow members, a I think we're spending absolutely too much time every day at something on rules and regulations. Its getting to be sort of a habit and I think many of the things we talk about here could be settled in committee and not take up our time here. It would be interesting to find out just how much of our time is used for rules and regulations. We haven't know this to such a good extent in past years and I would suggest to the Rules Committee that they discuss these things in committee and come out here with, with with the decision and not bring it up here every day and every day and every day.

SPEAKER: Senator Duis do you care to respond?

DUIS: Yes I certainly would. Senator Nore, the reason we bring this up is just for the reason that, that allowing you to say what you wanted to say just now. I merely bring