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SPEAKER: Senator Stull, the motion to adjourn is not debatable but that's up to the person that makes the motion. Do you want the question? All right. This Legislature does what it wants to do. Senator Stull.

SENATOR STULL: I will withdraw the amendment for a few minutes until Emory comes in.

SPEAKER: Well, Senator Stull is withdrawing his motion. Now what's your pleasure. Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I move we ask Emory Burnett to come in and give us a factual report on what his position is, what he recommends and let him assume the responsibility for his own suggestions!

SPEAKER: Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: I agree with that because he told me something slightly different from what he apparently thinks he told or Senator Syas told him.

SPEAKER: All right. All those in favor of requesting Mr. Burnett to come in here and give us an explanation say aye. Those opposed no. We will stand at ease and I instruct the clerk's office to bring Mr. Burnett in here. On the double. Senator Stahmer.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President, if I could I would like to clarify now just what I said that Mr. Burnett did tell me that he could not guarantee that we would have this override day but if we didn't care about the override and wanted a bill heard such as the bill that Senator Kennedy wants out of his Committee and it would be heard on the override day and you are assuming the Governor wouldn't veto it, he has time for that kind of thing. And I am only trying to help out Senator Kennedy even though I was on the opposite side of this debate on this abortion thing. His Committee feels they needed it and it is nothing for me. It's what the Committee thinks they need.

SPEAKER: Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: Clarify one thing. I asked him according to our schedule what would happen. He asked him a different question. I want it strictly understood that I asked him on the schedule the bills that had to be ready by Friday. The override day didn't count. I know what he told me. Now he is using the override day as a Final Reading day. That's a different matter altogether.

SPEAKER: When Mr. Burnett gets in here, you can ask him whatever you please. Mr. Burnett, will you please come to the podium and..anybody have a rope. Mr. Burnett, we have some questions on adjournment and some other items they would like to ask you and I knew your graciousness would permit us to do this. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I am very upset. If I were the violent person that people say that I am, Mr. Wilson would be laying down there in his office with something having been done to him. My secretary is a black woman. She is a man's wife and she is a little boy's mother and when she takes amendments down to that office she doesn't have to be patted on the butt by anybody, not in his office, not on the floor of this Legislature, or anyplace else. That is not the kind of thing that ought to happen and I talked to Mr. Wilson and he admitted he did it. He said he pats the women on the butt who works for him. He said he pats the rest of the women who go down there on the butt, too. Now you can let him disrespect you if you want to, but that lady who works for me as a secretary is not going to be disrespected. She doesn't have to allow anybody to put their hands on her. That is not her job and I feel that since she is working