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SENATOR LUEDTKE: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. This is the motion that I told a number of you towards the end of last week that I was going to put on the desk. I feel that with the number of underlined bills and our constant tendency to bring things back on Select File as we are doing again today we will never get to these underlined bills and seriously get them moving on across the board unless we do meet for the specific purpose after dinner some evening, or two evenings or as many as it takes to get this job done. I feel that we owe to the people who a couple months ago came down and appeared before our various committees and expected up to act this session. Many of these bills have been on the board for that length of time, and I think that the way to do it is to meet. And a great number of you said you would go along with this and I would urge you to vote in favor of the motion so that our intent is clear and we can set our calendars accordingly.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: I oppose and I know there are others that oppose any such motion. We've been...the people said 60 days. Senator Luedtke was one of those that supported 60 and 90 days vigorously as a constitutional amendment. I do not think that we should take any way of going around the constitution by any device. I think we should stick to our usual procedure. And it's not bad at all if we leave a lot of bills on General File. I think the impact of this would be a good lesson to the members of the Legislature, and others that you cannot continually introduce bills. Constantly introduce bills by committee without some day and sow those seeds without some days reaping the weeds...seeds. Therefore, I think we should continue as we are. I think it will be a good thing if we leave a lot of bills on General File when we adjourn. Now one of our biggest troubles this session has been that the average Senator was limited to ten bills, which I agree with, but what we did were the break down aim was to use the committees to introduce bills that the individual Senators could not, they shopped around and got bills introduced. We all said, aye, when they would put them on the board. I think the Judiciary Committee is in a bind because they introduced so darn many bills. They are part of our trouble.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cal Carsten.

SENATOR CAL CARSTEN: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature. I certainly rise to support Senator Syas in his opposition to the motion. We are getting down to the tail end there is no question about that, but at the front end of this session we done a lot of horsing around and we could have gotten to business and had a lot of this that is left taken care of. I don't..it's our own fault and if you so want to call it that. I think that many of us who are up for re-election this time, and I myself, have date. ..night dates set for the week and I'm certainly not going to interfere with those meetings, just to set here and to take care of business that we should have taken care of a long time ago. I've got a couple of bills up there are underlined, that are not my bills, they are committee bills. I do have a definite interest in them, but if we don't get to them. We just won't get to them. And as Senator Syas has said, maybe we will have learned a good solid lesson for once.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.