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SENATOR MAHONEY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Can I have your attention for just a second because it will concern your afternoon work. Can I have your attention for just a second, Senator Chambers, Senator Stull, Senator Stull. I want you all to listen so that we don't have to get up two or three times afterwards.

This afternoon there are some Senators that are requesting and wanting to be gone. I'm not advocating this at all because there's plenty of work up here to do. I wanted to tell that if the rest of us would come back and then find ourselves with not enough members here to do work, it's kind of disappointing to return and then find that you could have had another hour and a half yet at home. So would you push the button that is your preference. I think that it would be.... You could either leave the red button alone or do what you choose on that. Those that will be available this afternoon to come back at 1:30 and work would you please signify by pushing your green button saying that you're going to be here and able to work until 4 or 4:30, or whatever time we decide.

PRESIDENT: We have 15 already that are excused for this afternoon.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Jules, I'm making this speech. I'm not advocating this, I said that before so that you won't be disappointed.

PRESIDENT: Mr. Speaker, we have 15 who are excused for this afternoon so we're getting to the critical point.

SENATOR BURBACH: Fifteen from forty-nine is how many? Thirty-four, is it not. Twenty-five will advance a bill.

I have on your desks so called noncontroversial bills. They have been determined by the staff of the Council that they have not had opposition in the committee. There was unanimous consent to buy the committee. There was no fiscal impact. I hope this is factual. I did find out there was an error, yesterday afternoon three were added to the list, they are on your agenda and not on the slip I put out yesterday.

I would be hopeful that we would stay here. There are only 18 days left, 15 days to work. If we have seven hours a day that's 105 hours, then less the Final Reading. Now, of course, we can delay some of the Final Reading to the last three days also. But we have an awful lot of bills to work on. So I would be hopeful that we could stay in session this afternoon.

PRESIDENT: We have 26 people who indicate they will be here this afternoon. Twenty-eight people. We'll proceed with LB 757.

CLERK: Read title to LB 757.