

LB 168 because Senator Hannibal has a bill dealing with the same subject matter that I think is a far superior bill than my own, so I would like to withdraw LB 168.

PRESIDENT: You've heard the motion. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to withdraw LB 168.

PRESIDENT: LB 168 is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk, we have a motion on the desk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Hall would move to suspend Rule 3, Section 13 so as to permit the scheduling of LB 66C for public hearing next Monday at one-thirty in Room 1019.

PRESIDENT: Senator Tim Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President, members of the body, I'm requesting the suspension of the rules because this bill was scheduled to be heard with a number of other workers compensation bills. I fall outside.... The problem is the bill was not referenced until today. I fall outside the seven day requirement, and I am asking for your indulgence to suspend the rules so we can hear the bill along with all the other workers comp bills. The problem this year in Business and Labor is that, outside of myself being the Chairman, is that we only have six hearing dates because of the schedule proposed by the Speaker. We run into two holidays, one in February and one in March on Mondays, our hearing dates. So, the number of days that we are going to be able to meet is limited. We need to hear as many bills as we can at each meeting. The reason for scheduling it was that it is of the same subject matter, the folks who will testify won't have to come back again, and it will allow us to hear six bills next Monday. I would request that you would support this motion to suspend the rules so that the hearing which has been scheduled, it shows up on the schedule notice, so it has been scheduled for LB 660. People are aware of it. But, because the Reference Committee only got to LB 650 yesterday, we fall outside the seven day requirement period and we need to...or I need to ask that you suspend the rules so that we can go ahead and hold the hearing as scheduled. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? If not, the question is the