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Even the human form, Senator Kelly, and I'm not advocating... what do they call it... evolution... even the human form has changed down through the years, so certainly the mental processes can change and take cognizance of alterations in circumstances. When circumstances change, our reactions and responses to those circumstances, which have changed, should alter also. We should not merely hold onto something because it has been around a long time. This proposal, and I have opposed many offered rules changes, is one that I think would contribute to the efficient and responsible operation of the Legislature in the discharge of its duties. I'm for the rule change and I believe we ought to adopt it.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator... or the Clerk will read the amendment to the rule change, and then the Chair will recognize Senator Koch.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Koch moves to amend the proposed Newell rule change by striking all the language found in Section 25, and inserting the following: The Committee on Committees shall meet as a standing committee on Wednesday, effective January 1981.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Excuse me just a minute, Senator Koch. Senator Tom Fitzgerald has underneath the south balcony a constituent, Mr. Walter Peffer, who is from the 14th Legislative District. We welcome you to the Legislature, sir. Senator Koch, you have the floor.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, I offer this amendment in good spirit. We need 30 votes to adopt a rule. It's obvious that the body is pretty well split in terms of what we want to do. We all know that we must do something to change the status quo of the committee. We're talking about a committee that should have a considerable amount of respect. Status quo... in case you don't know the interpretation of it, is a Latin word for trying to clear up the mess we're in, and I propose to you this amendment may be saleable, and it may also accomplish what Senator Newell wants to accomplish... allow this committee a time on our schedule to treat appointments with a serious amount of concern. One other item I forgot to mention was that many times when I was on the Committee on Committees there would be a folder given to us at about 12:00 shortly before lunch, and be as many as 13 or 14 appointments here, and we were supposed to review that on our way to 2013 to try to have some kind of a background on those who were being appointed, which was always impossible. This way it will give the Chairman of this committee an opportunity to present to you a background of those considered for appointments,