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next time? I doubt it. I've had quite a number of people who have mentioned this when I asked them to come down and testify for a bill. They say, what's the use, you have so many bills that I waste my time in coming down because they're not even heard. It isn't the fact that they may not be passed, but they haven't even been heard. I'll do anything to cut down on the number of bills so that the bills that we do hear in committee can be heard on the floor. I certainly do support Senator Beutler.

SENATOR NICHOL: Thank you. We have another guest with us. Senator Cal Carsten's son is with us from North Platte, and he is with Mrs. Carsten under the south balcony. Would you stand and be recognized, please? Thank you. Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President and members of the body, I certainly support Senator Beutler in his attempt to get us in some sort of a position that we can function as a Legislature. The press said that I introduced nine bills this year. I think it was eight. Most of them have been taken care of and killed in committee, or combined, so I'm in pretty good shape right now to handle what I have left...if I've got two left, I'm not sure. But anyhow, I'm really concerned about this, and some of them talked about the...that the constituents don't know what they're talking about and that we should convince them that the bills that we introduce are important. I don't believe this is the way the process should work. It's really useless to have all those bills up before us if we have no intention of getting anything done with them. And what Senator Cope just said I think covers that, because there are many of them that we worked in the last two years that I've been in the Legislature that did not get acted upon. Some of them are back this year in a little bit different form. You can look over there on General File right now and see what our workload is going to be. We're still introducing bills. We introduced a couple this morning. And I suppose that's necessary. Being a senator, I'm actually scared not to sign a committee bill when it comes around. I'm actually afraid to because there may come a time when I need a bill real bad during the session and I certainly need the support of my fellow committee members to get it passed. And perhaps this process will work, but what really concerns me is that here we have... we're going to have bills left over this year, then in our second part of our session next year we're going to introduce a whole slug more if we don't do something about it. I think six is too many, myself, but I'd go along with the rule change that Senator Beutler wants to come up with. I do think we should limit the committee also. The only other solution is, and I'd like to try this on the body for size, if you're going to allow all the bills that everybody wants to introduce with