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there want to see us have a four day week, drag the session on later into the spring and summer. I think that our constituents at home want us to come down here, deal with the bills, do our work in a workmanlike fashion, spend our five days down here, get the session finished and then be done with it for another year. I certainly oppose the proposed rule change.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Hefner.

SENATOR HEFNER: Mr. Chairman, members of the body. I commend some of my colleagues for bringing this up for discussion. I think that we should discuss it from time to time. However, I do oppose it and here are some of the reasons why I oppose it. I think while we are down here we just as well meet five days a week. I have to travel approximately 150-160 miles to go home. I usually try to go home on weekends to visit with the constituents in my district. But with the price of gasoline going up and the expense of traveling, also the expense of renting an apartment or a home or a motel room is expensive, and this would extend the session approximately a week or two, especially since we passed the Koch amendment. Therefore, I guess I would have to say that I oppose it. Also, I feel that we do have two days to study over some amendments and also to research the bills. Also, I believe last year we got out of here around the middle of April. I'm talking for the farmers in this case, a lot of time field work will start around the first of April. This will delay adjournment until towards the end of April. So, therefore I urge you to vote against this rule change.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cullan, do you wish to speak on the amendment? On the rule change?

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature. Senator Nichol has rose to address the legislature on this particular issue talking about his distance from the State Capitol building. I'm the only legislator who is a few miles farther from the State Capitol building than is Senator Nichol and the western bloc of senators are not in total agreement on this issue and maybe for the same reason. I am in support of the motion and in support of the four day legislative session, four days per week, and I have changed my mind on this after a great deal of thought. I think that it would allow me the opportunity to go home on weekends. I know that this session Senator Marvel has scheduled a good number of four day weekends and those are virtually the only time, the only opportunities that I have had to go home and I do utilize those four day weekends, or three day weekends. So, I would hope that from this rural senator's perspective that you would