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SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion lost. Senator Fowler. Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: Yes.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We have...

SENATOR FOWLER: I move the call be raised first, if that is okay.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The call is raised.

SENATOR FOWLER: Senator Kahle will present the last rule change.

SPEAKER MARVEL: That is number four?

SENATOR FOWLER: Number four, because I didn't agree with it. So, as vice chairman let Senator Kahle present that one.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Kahle.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. Speaker, members of the body. This rules change was proposed to the committee by Senator Carsten and if you have your read-out it is at the bottom of the page. Each member shall be limited as an introducer or co-introducer to a total of 16 bills for the two year period, consisting of the first and second regular session of each legislature. Each committee shall be limited as an introducer to a total of ten bills for each regular session of the legislature. Bills introduced as the result of an interim study of the legislative council shall be included within this limitation prescribed by this Section. Bills introduced under Rule 5, Section 3A, bills introduced at the request of the Governor and Appropriation bills will not be included in the limitation. Now many of us have talked about the number of bills we have tried to process in this body and this year it reads 600. We just got through talking about the time it takes to try to digest this many bills. But rather than talk about this rules change I believe Senator Carsten would like to explain his reason for this rules change so whatever lineup you have up there I would like to relinquish part of my introductory time to Senator Carsten.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, and members of the Legislature, as most of you know for four or five years I have been determined that we should get our bill introduction down. We had way to many bills. I've gone back home time and time and time again and find the same reaction from the constituency back home. Why do you have so many bills? I... my only explanation is that we do not use any self-restraint,