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SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well then if each committee can adopt its own rules, can you imagine what is going to happen to the public if every committee adopts different rules? They are going to be so confused they won't be able to find the Capitol.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Haberman, every committee is presently adopting its own rules. That is precisely the problem. The whole idea of the model rules was to encourage the committees to use one set of rules without forcing them to do so.

SENATOR HABERMAN: But they don't have to if they don't want to.

SENATOR BEUTLER: No, I would be....

SENATOR HABERMAN: Let's make it positive or negative, Senator Beutler, that's all I want. Let's either do it or don't do it.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Well if you would like to force the committees to adopt standard rules right now, you are free to amend the amendment, Senator Haberman. For myself, I think the question is complex enough that common sense would indicate that you would encourage them to try it and move slowly in this area.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you, Mr. President. Thank you, Chris.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Wesely, do you wish to close?

SENATOR WESELY: Again, let me summarize for you. What we are discussing is Rule 3, Section 11, and it deals with the question of committees adopting some sort of committee rules. They have an option as to what they select, but the only requirement is that they select some sort of committee rules, and I think that is a reasonable step to take. I move the adoption of that section.

SPEAKER MARVEL PRESIDING

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the Wesely amendment to Rule 3, Section 11. Okay, question is the adoption of Rule 3, Section 11, as part of the permanent rules. All those in favor of that motion vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Senator Beutler.