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bills laying on the table that we didn't get to, that were in some stage of the process, out of committee but sitting on the floor that we didn't get to. In addition and far worse we passed 50 to 100 bills where we had no third stage of debate. We always like to say we have three stages of debate in this Legislature, but when it gets down to the end of the second session we are lucky to have two because somebody moves to suspend the rules and we try to mass these things all together and that all happens in part because we try to deal with too much legislation in the amount of time that we have with the resources that we have. I would ask you, freshman Senator, what did you hear more on the campaign trail than anything else this year and I bet...I would bet from most of you the thing you heard most was we are passing too many laws, too much legislation. It was interesting, and I have been here two years and I think they are right, we are. We are not giving full consideration to the big bills. We have got to cut down on the number of bills. It is interesting that last year when we argued this amendment the argument was made, well, this won't have any... we don't care this won't have any effect because we will just consolidate, etcetera, etcetera. But apparently there has been a change of opinion because now here we are at the beginning of the year arguing about it again. Apparently it is going to be effective and I think it should be effective. You know I think maybe we should give some thought to the kind of bills that committees should introduce. The Education Committee every year has several little rinky dink bills it gets from the Department of Education correcting this or that, little, small things, and it comes straight to the Education Committee with them. Should that be done? Shouldn't the Education Committee really be taking the half a dozen bills that affect public policy in Nebraska and working hard on those, working long on those, spending time on those? Why should the Education Committee be taking all these bills? I don't really know. Why not the individual senators? That is the second part of my point, I guess. If you look in the records at how many bills are introduced by individual senators, most individual senators don't introduce all their bills. A lot of them introduce only about half the number that they could introduce. If we really need to have these additional bills introduced that the committees supposedly cannot introduce, why don't the lobbyists or whoever is interested in these bills, or the committee chairmen, if they are so interested in them, why don't they go around and see if they can get one individual senator to put his name to the bill? That shouldn't be so hard. I would also mention that the committee bill rule was another one that went through the