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have operated under a limit which I think has been reasonable, which has not denied the rights of any legislator, any group and has served the state well. What we are now about to do, I assume, is open the floodgates once again and have hundreds and hundreds of bills, a number of bills that we cannot handle in a manner which is logical and considerate. I agree with the comments of Senator Beutler. I hope you listened to what Senator Beutler stated so very eloquently, that this is a very serious matter. We are now embarking on a new era. It is much more serious I believe that most people realize. The number of bills that may be introduced by a few people, by only one or two people, can be enough to throw the system into chaos because there is no possible physical way we can hold the public hearings which we hold on these bills. Other states do not have public hearings on all bills and one of the reasons is because there are so very, very many of them it is physically impossible to do that. So they gather under the stairwells or wherever and a number of bills never see the light of day because there is so very many of them it is physically impossible to deal with them. I hope that we will turn back at this very late state and do not pass this bill, do not open the floodgates. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would have to rise in opposition to this unlimited restrictions on the number of bills that can be introduced in the Legislature. As some of you know, I plan to introduce a bill in this coming session of the Legislature to change the way we operate by restricting the number of bills that can be introduced in a sixty day session and I am still putting the finishing touches on that proposal. And the reason I am sponsoring that proposed constitutional amendment is because of what I have seen in this Legislature in the past four years. I think you should reflect on the closing days of the sixty day sessions which some of you have seen from either inside the body or from outside the body and you see a tremendous number of bills grouped on General File, some of them meritorious ideas, some of them ideas which you may not consider so meritorious, but there are a tremendous number of bills there and at least some number of senators want to ensure that those bills pass before time expires. That pressure has, in my opinion, allowed proposals to pass which would not pass if they were considered on their own merit. So the pressure that we create by introducing such a tremendous number