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CLERK: 1 aye, 23 nays, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion lost. The next rule.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers moves to amend Rule 3, Section 12, on page 19, after the word "resolutions" in the 5th line, insert a period and strike the remainder of the sentence.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, and members of the Legislature, this provision relates to the section of Rule 3. Section 12, which deals with correlation and consolidation of similar subject matters in a single bill, but then it goes on to say after this consolidation has occurred the remaining bills or resolutions will be reported out as indefinitely postponed. Now that is the language in this sentence that I want stricken. "the remaining bills or resolutions will be reported out as indefinitely postponed". A rule of the Legislature cannot tell any committee how to vote on a specific bill. This rule cannot be binding on any committee and they need not report these bills out as indefinitely postponed. They can be used for any other purpose. So I think this language is surplusage and it should be removed from the rules. That is all that I have to say.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Any further discussion? Do you have any other remarks to make, Senator Chambers? Okay, all those in favor of the Chambers amendment to Rule number 3 vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 1 aye, 10 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to adopt Senator Chambers proposal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion lost. What is the next item?

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers moves to amend the rules, Rule 5, Section 4, after the word "personally" place a comma and add, "with the exception of committee bills".

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, I have to make a preliminary comment. It is incredible to me that the members want things in the rules that cannot even be complied with and that will not be