some extent or you can build a bridge over the troubled waters so that you can traverse them but you don't deal with the troubled waters themselves. I think the Speaker is in a position of having to do both things. try to calm the waters but also provide a means for the Legislature to get past what appears to be a sticking point. Now we all have the same rights and prerogatives as elected members of the Legislature so when it comes to authority there are certain things that attach to the office and once you are elected you have all of those prerogatives available for you but power is something that is dependent upon how many of these prerogatives and the manner in which these prerogatives will be exercised by the individual member. So, if a serious issue comes before the Legislature, some people for whatever reason may be persuaded to forego certain privileges, prerogatives, rights and even obligations that they have in the interests of maintaining peace and quiet. But the question that must always be asked is whose peace is it and whose quiet is it. If it is quiet for one person, is it turmoil for somebody else? If it has the appearance of peace, is there really a war raging under the surface which will only break forth at a later time? The Speaker does have an obligation to try to facilitate the movement of the Legislature and its business. However, the Speaker is in the position of a cowboy perhaps trying to handle a herd of cattle. If you can keep everything calm and quiet then one cowboy can move them where he chooses, or cowlady, but if something happens and the cattle begin to run off in different directions the cowboy or cowlady runs the risk of serious injury or even death should he or she stand in front of the cattle and say, because of the regard you have for me as a human being, you must stop. Cattle and other animals traditionally fear human beings but we have a different situation. A set of circumstances have intervened so that these animals are not viewing a human being as they ordinarily would where fear of the human being is the uppermost thing in their mind. Something else has overcome all of their fear and everything else and if a human being gets in the way the human being is trampled. So the cowboy or ccwlady determines what the wise thing in that situation to do would be. that person is hired by somebody else, a gesture may have to be made by the cowperson to indicate to the boss that an attempt is being made to corral these animals even though they are out of order. I think the Speaker has made that gesture, however, though I become irritated on occasion when people will delay when I don't feel like having things delayed, there are occasions when I know good and well that I am going to engage in the very same tactic and all of you who have been here any length of