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Let's not harangue the rules and keep working the rules especially when that one rule, the one rule that really is the key to everything here and that is the limitation of bills, has already been adopted and will take thirty votes. If we are at that point, and we are at that point, then this really should be a moot issue and I would hope that we would then move quickly to a vote, adopt the rest of the rules, have the Rules Committee function as it should and learn from this experience that we must be more consistent in the future.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Maresh.

SENATOR MARESH: I guess the question is that the rule never was considered by the Rules Committee and I think we should just adopt the temporary rules and if we adopt the rules permanently, I think it will be a moot question and nothing will be done by the Rules Committee. But if they are operating under a deadline, then I think coming back tomorrow we are going to have them come up with some kind of compromise instead of just saying, well the rules have been adopted and that is it. So I think we should not adopt the rules permanently but just for this day and then let them come back tomorrow and tell us what the number of bills should be.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Beutler, do you wish to speak to the Maresh amendment?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes, Mr. Speaker. I wish to wholeheartedly support the Maresh amendment. Senator Schmit has stood here and indicated to you that this bill introduction thing is cosmetic. Obviously many of us on both sides do not agree with that analysis. If we did, there would have readily had been a compromise before this and we would have solved this problem but I think now we are to the point where we only have one issue to resolve and if, in fact, where both sides are willing to see this issue as more cosmetic than we perhaps feel, then why can we not go quickly into a Rules Committee session and resolve it and come back tomorrow morning with a compromise? Surely Senator Schmit would feel that way if he thinks this is truly cosmetic. If you reject the Maresh amendment and go ahead and adopt these rules allowing the bill introduction by individual senators to be treated as it has been treated, then I think you allow certain individuals to get by with one of the biggest pieces of hypocrisy that we have seen in debate in a long time and that is to argue to you that this sticky point, this bill introduction point, should go through the Rules Committee just a couple of days after