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that wants to be picked up by the bus. You can't wait thirty days. You can't go to the Public Service Commission to get the right to change the route and pick that person up to make the program workable and I really would like to advise the body on one thing. I think this is a poor time to get into an urban-rural split. The urban areas are getting eightyfive percent of the funds. The \$2.7 million is not yet appropriated. The fifteer percent of the funds that the rurals presently get will have first draw if later a million dollars were lopped off the urban side. I would like to see this bill funded and go along with the urbans and take care of both adequately, but if it comes to an urban-rural, I would find it very difficult to justify a vote for \$2.7 million, eightyfive percent of it going to the urban areas if we can't have a workable rural program. So this is the one that is up front right now and the appropriation bill is going to come later and I am just appealing that we don't turn into an urbanrural split because the rurals actually have the upper hand if it turns into a split like this. It is a poor time. I think we ought to work together and I ask for this. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Members of the Legislature, the debate is going to continue and you aren't going to have any time to eat so I suggest to you that you adjourn and that we take this up tomorrow. Will somebody make a motion that we adjourn. Senator Landis. Okay, the motion is that we adjourn until nine o'clock, Friday, February 27th. All those in favor say aye, opposed no. We are adjourned.

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