

motion to expedite, basically what it means is that Emory Burnett down in E & R puts this bill ahead of the others that he has down there to deal with. It is my understanding that there are very few down there right now. In addition tomorrow we have a day off, so he is going to have all day tomorrow to do them, so in all probability they are all going to get done anyway. So, in short, the motion to expedite means almost nothing, nothing, practically but it has a highly symbolic effect. It has a highly symbolic effect in both directions, but to me the protection of the legislative process, the symbolism in that respect is more important than whatever it does for the owner of Falstaff. If you allow a motion to expedite now, then we are going to encourage a process where when anybody thinks his bill is a little more important than somebody else's, we will be starting to argue motions to expedite. Today it is Falstaff. Tomorrow maybe it is the Vet College bill or whatever most likely bills that have powerful supporters, bills that can probably have a chance of obtaining a favorable response on a motion to expedite but, nonetheless, I think we want to keep out of our legislative process, the whole idea of motions to expedite unless there really is a true significance to them, unless there is a true emergency, unless the expedition is, in fact, meaning something. It does not mean anything here. If we allow the public hearing to occur Monday, at the latest this bill is going to be back up to us Tuesday instead of Monday, so it is very, very, what is the word I want, dangerous, unwise, I think, to go through this process and this foolery for no purpose whatsoever. So I encourage you to vote against the motion to expedite.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Barrett.

SENATOR BARRETT: Mr. Speaker, I move the Legislature adjourn until 9:30 a.m., Monday morning.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of that motion ... just a minute. The motion is to adjourn until nine-thirty, Monday. Is that right, Senator Barrett? All those in favor of that motion say aye, opposed no. The motion is carried. We are adjourned until nine-thirty, Monday.

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