

SENATOR HABERMAN: I am going to ask for a vote because I stood up and objected to the same thing and you said this body rules, so I am going to ask for a vote to overrule the Chair, and see if they can overrule you.

SENATOR CLARK: That's fine. That has already been done. Senator Carsten did that. He voted to overrule the Chair. Shall the Chair be overruled? That is the question. All I did was let the Legislature decide it. There's 27 of them, 28 said no. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman, I would like to address myself to Senator Carsten's motion. I will tell you what is troubling to me. First of all, I don't care what you do with Democrats or Republicans, because the whole thing of party politics is a travesty and that was shown by what happened on those personal privileges. Then when we have a rule which says that there should be fair debate on issues, and then Senator Clark can sit in the Chair and you all watch him arbitrarily on some issues say, we haven't had enough debate when maybe six people have talked, then on a strictly partisan issue and he is tired, he says, now one person speaks and that is enough and you disregard the rule, I think it is wrong. And I think just because he sits in the Chair and maybe can tell the ladies beside him or the young men to turn the button off, is no reason that we ought to abdicate the responsibilities that we have. Now it makes me no difference how this particular issue of the reapportionment comes out, but I think we, as a Legislature, are wrong to criticize the Governor out here lobbying and then we will let one person bulldoze and control the Legislature like we are a bunch of little children. Well, I am not. And if you want these rules, then they should mean something. And don't just point the finger at me and people like me when you want to apply terms like radical, irresponsible and against the traditional values of the country. I am finding it necessary more and more to stand and make an appeal for observation of the rules. What I would suggest is that before a vote is taken for a speaker next time, or before a person like me would make a motion to change the rules, so the speaker can designate whoever he wants to to take his place, we should make sure that it is somebody with physical stamina to maintain equilibrium and objectivity even when the session goes far into the night. I think it is wrong what has been done here on this occasion and on others, but I will tell you what I will do. If the rest of you want to be handled in that fashion, fine, I have declared myself on the issue now and I have done with that for the rest of the session, but you know where I stand.