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doing it but we are not having to do it, and essentially we will do it though anyway.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Well, I guess the reason for asking my question, sincerely, is it going to cost us more to print an A bill for that small amount than to not print the A bill? Fiscally, is it sound?

SENATOR WESELY: Senator Higgins, I think Pat could answer that but I think it is \$16 a page to print. Is that not correct?

CLERK: Print what, Senator, I am sorry.

SENATOR WESELY: Oh

SENATOR CLARK: To print a bill.

SENATOR WESELY:an A bill or any bill.

CLERK: A bill? I think, Senator, it's around \$14 and some cents a page. I would have to check the exact figure.

SENATOR WESELY: And A bills are usually a page or two, right?

CLERK: Right.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I just wanted to address the question of process briefly and ask you at least to consider these rule changes on the merits today. Our rules for the last three years since I have been here have been adopted on a yearly basis. Perhaps you did it differently on a two-year basis before that. We will be adopting new rules at the beginning of next session. But also at the beginning of the next session since let's say the second session, we will have on General File and ready for debate a whole series of bills that are left over from this year as you are well aware, and so I think it behooves us to take this time that we have right now and talk about our rule changes which will essentially be in effect for next year, unless we change our minds about them now, today and tomorrow while we have a little time and we have to be here anyway, rather than taking an

