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excessive amount of time at the beginning of next year when we could be spending that on the bills on General File. So I just wanted to explain a little bit why the Rules Committee wanted to ask your consideration at this time rather than at the beginning of next year on a few of these things. Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Once again I ask Senator Wesely, Mr. President, what is the effective date of the rule change?

SENATOR WESELY: Senator Carsten, we are adopting an amendment to the current session rules of the Legislature, so these will be in effect for the next day.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Literally changing the rules.

SENATOR WESELY: Right.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Thank you.

SENATOR CLARK: Did you wish to close on your motion?

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I appreciate the discussion and I am glad that we took the time on this. Now Senator Carsten's question is an important one and I think I should emphasize once again, as Senator Beutler talked about it, we are bringing to you three rule changes, that's all. We have several others pending but they would...well, I thought they would take more time so we aren't bringing those up. What we are trying to do is get a sense of how you feel about some proposals we have had in committee and we thought were good ideas. We are bringing them to you now to see if you will support those changes in the rules. Over the interim we will again look at our rules and come back to you with pretty much what we have now, perhaps some other modifications and we will again have to adopt rules for the next session of the Legislature. We only adopted them for one session this year. So whether you like it or not, we have to come in next year and adopt new rules. Anticipating that, we wanted to know how you felt about this rule change and about others. Now this rule change is essentially a reflection of where we are at today in any event concerning fiscal notes and A bills. We already are providing A bills for under \$50,000. This would make it clear in the rules that that is the case. We also adjust