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SENATOR WESELY: Mr. Speaker, this rule change came from Senator Lamb when we had a motion to adjourn, I think... was it Special Session, Senator Lamb? I can't remember. There was a motion to adjourn and the majority supported it but it was ruled by the Chair that it was not proper and that it didn't hold and, in fact, it should have under normal procedures. So we make it clear in the rules if you want to adjourn it just takes a majority of those present, a clarifying amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: All those in favor of that motion to support item number four vote aye, opposed vote no. Record the vote.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the proposed rule change four, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is carried, the rule is adopted. We now go to item number five.

CLERK: Mr. President, item number five pertains to explanation of votes.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Yes. Mr. Speaker, this would say that in order for you to insert in the Journal how you would have voted if you had been present, you have to be gone. You can't be here in the Chamber and pass on a vote and then walk up and put it in the Journal if you had been present you would have voted such and such a way. You have to be excused and actually not present in order to that. This is another clarifying amendment.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I don't believe that is what it says, Senator Wesely. I would like to ask you what happens, Senator Wesely, if I am sitting here at my desk and I receive a note that there are a group of my constituents out in the rotunda, so I, therefore, go out in the rotunda to meet with my constituents. Those are the people that will vote for you, you know, when you run for election. And I am visiting with them and there is a vote that I miss, after they leave I come in and go up and say, I would have voted this way. According to this what you say, number five, I won't be able to do that, and I don't think that is right. Now if I am down in my office goofing off or if I am down town or something like this, I would say you are right, but I think that your...