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SENATOR CLARK: A Call of the House has been requested. All those in favor of a Call of the House vote aye, all those opposed nay. Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 14 ayes, 17 nays to go under Call, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: The House is not under Call. We will have a roll call vote. The Clerk will call the roll. I would hope that you would be quiet enough so that he can hear the response, please.

CLERK: (Read roll call vote as found on pages 122-123 of the Legislative Journal.) 12 ayes, 27 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR CLARK: The motion lost. The amendment is not adopted. Are there any further amendments?

CLERK: I have nothing further to proposal #14, Mr. President.

SENATOR CLARK: We are back on the original bill. Senator Koch, on the original...

SENATOR KOCH: Original rule change provided by Senator Beutler and Senator Wesely.

SENATOR CLARK: Right, the original rule change.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you for the opportunity. You know Groucho Marx needs to be quoted here today because I think we're guilty of what Marx said and he was a great humorist but sometimes rather cynically. He said, "Politics is the art of looking for trouble, finding it everywhere, diagnosing it incorrectly and applying the wrong remedy." And that is what we have been doing all day. Last year we assembled here and we argued over rules for two and half days. One time we almost missed a steak. That is unusual for us to do that. Here we are again trying to change the rules in the middle of the ballgame. We reorganize once every two years and I think I am about ready to say we're not going to reorganize our rules only once every two years as well until we decide in good faith that we need a rule change and we can justify it. We argued for hours on the issue of rule or bill limitations. If you live in a district that is a district that is not homogeneous, there may be a reason why you have to have no limitations and I don't like to have someone in here put a gag on myself simply because I may have some ideas that I want to express for educational benefits of the general citizenry. If I am willing to carry fifty bills then I will take the blame