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legislators. I enjoy an opportunity to learn in depth some other issues but I didn't get any new committee assignments. I got the Revenue Committee again and I got the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee again, and being a good yeoman and a good worker, I took those assignments but I specifically asked to be assigned to the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee in 1980 which I did not get. In 1981 I asked again in the summer time when Senator Fitzgerald resigned if I could go on the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee but that was not to be the case. So when Senator Newell came to me in November and he said, "Vard", he said, "I wouldn't mind making a switch. Would you mind making a switch?" I said, "No. Shoot, Dave, this has been something that I have been wanting to do for some time." Mostly for the opportunity to work with some new legislators in a different context. I think it is very valuable in terms of being a full and complete member of this body to have the opportunity to work with as many different Senators as I can because I enjoy the interplay of personalities, the interplay of ideas, the interplay of relationships and I also enjoy an opportunity, frankly, to learn some new issues. I would like to have firsthand acquaintanceship with the wine and liquor issues that I have a secondhand acquaintanceship with when the bills finally come to the floor. I would like a firsthand opportunity to have a look at some of the gambling issues like the bingo issues and the like in the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee rather than a secondhand opportunity when the issues finally come to the floor. So it was a very personal request on my part and I cannot see to this day any solid reason for not honoring what I think is simply a personal request. There has not been a problem with Dave nor with myself nor with Senator Hefner as the Chairman of the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee nor with Senator Kahle as the Chairman of the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee, and it seems to me that to ask a legislator, in effect, to serve on two committees for his entire four year term, which is what would be my case, is asking maybe more than should be asked. In terms of precedence, there have clearly been switches to accommodate the desires of individual members in the past. In 1979 Senator Rasmussen moved from the Constitutional Revision and Recreation Committee to the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee and Senator George moved from the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee to the Constitutional Revision and Recreation Committee. That was not triggered by a death nor by a resignation. That was simply a matter of accommodating the personal desires of two state Senators. I see no reason for this body to become exercised over this request. I don't think there is any partisanship involved. I think if the body believes that this request establishes a bad precedent, that in subsequent years if other members make

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