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Committee. That is all that I have, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Moving back to the question of the adoption of rules, Mr. Clerk, can you bring us up to date, please.

CLERK: Mr. President, the Legislature was considering the proposed Rules Committee amendment number five that relates to cloture. There were amendments offered this morning that were disposed of. I now have pending an amendment to the Rules Committee amendment offered by Senator Chambers.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, this is the last amendment I'm going to offer to this proposition. I'm doing it somewhat facetiously, but I want to make it very clear on the record how unwise I think it is to craft legislative rules with one member contemplated. Because of that and the honor being paid to me by Senator Moore, this is what my amendment would do. It would add this language, Senator Moore: "Rule section...Rule 7, Section 10 shall be known as the 'Maybe we can't fence Ernie Chambers in but by The Eternal we will try' rule." That's what it amounts to and I want the public to be aware of that. Maybe nobody will be, but everybody on this floor will. I don't think the amendment requires any further discussion so I am asking that it be adopted.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Any discussion on the amendment to the amendment offered by Senator Chambers? Seeing none, Senator Chambers, any further comments? Senator Chambers waives and we proceed to the vote. The question is the adoption of the amendment to the amendment to the Rules Committee report. Those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Voting on the amendment to the amendment offered by Senator Chambers. Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 2 ayes, 19 nays on the amendment, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Motion fails. Next item.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have nothing further pending to proposed Rules Committee amendment number five.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Senator Lynch, please.