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that I know of. We've always every year tried to adopt one, it has always failed, I hope once again this year. The proposal is legitimate but I hope once again this year we turn our votes against it and go forward and recognize that maybe once, maybe even twice this year we may take more time than we want, but that is a small price to pay for open expression and a chance for democracy to work in its fullest form.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you, sir. The gentleman from the 25th District, Senator Warner, followed by Senator Chambers.

SENATOR WARNER: Well, Mr. President, I, too, would urge the body not to adopt the cloture rule. The only argument I can recall that I have always used on this issue, and it's still a fact, that the only rule in this area that is effective is a rule of self-restraint on individuals and it has been my observation over the years that those who did not exercise restraint or the body was not receptive to what they were doing, it worked to their disadvantage and if the body was receptive to what they were doing or the point they were trying to be made, it contributed to the process, but I don't think you can structure writing that will address the issue. Over the weekend I read an article where a cartoon strip "Pogo" is coming back and I had forgotten, if I knew, of a quote that we hear very frequently that apparently originated with Pogo, and that comment was, "We have met the enemy and he is us." And my point is that if there is a process that needs to be used in this body, it is one that we just impose upon ourselves as we are dealing with the issue and not attempt to write something out, so I would urge the body not to adopt the motion for this rule change.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Chambers, please.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, what I have to say now can be stated very briefly. This is not a two-house Legislature, it is not the Congress. We have one house and sometimes the only way an issue that is complex or that appears to have the support of everybody, the only way that issue sometimes can be held to the scrutiny and analysis that is required is for somebody or a group of somebodies to be willing to debate it and discuss it and hammer away at it until all the issues are clear regardless of what the ultimate vote turns out to be, so I, along with the others who have spoken, hope that you will vote against this cloture motion.