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may be introduced up to and including the 80th legislative day. And, for Senator Haberman and others, this motion was passed from the...recommended by the Rules Committee by a unanimous vote of five.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion? The question is the adoption of amendment number three. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk, please.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of amendment number three as offered by the Rules Committee.

PRESIDENT: Amendment number three is adopted. Amendment number four, please.

SENATOR LYNCH: Mr. President and members, rule number four, identified in your packet, is the rule having to do with study plans presented by the Chairman and members of the committee to the Clerk. The reason for this is obvious. It's to help inform, through the Clerk's office, the entire body regarding what particular concerns exist for particular Standing Committees and how they intend to proceed. There are an awful lot of good ideas out there, some more important than others. What this rule attempted to do, because of some confusion in the past regarding what, in fact, of the study resolutions were important and some less important, was to simply identify those with the highest priority. We discussed, for example, how do you do that? Do you say you list 10 of the study resolutions and, by number 1, 2, 3 and 4, identify those most important in that numerical order? Like some committee chairmen, they have in the past identified 10 resolutions, six which were of high priority and four which were important. The chairmen have, in the past, used a different process. Our consideration and discussion was to try to identify a process which would help us all understand what is important or not. After thorough discussion regarding how it can be accomplished numerically or otherwise, we simply agreed that we should help the chairmen and the committees understand that we do have to know which of those study resolutions are important and, therefore, simply inserted the underlined language on page 4, which said, "highest prioritized". And, by the way, on this the vote was unanimous, five to nothing, recommended by the Rules Committee to the body.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. Senator Moore, please.