

representing their constituency to be present. Many the day, toward the end of the 90-day session, when we have had to adjourn because so many members were excused that we could no longer do the business of the State of Nebraska, and people say we don't have enough days. I would suggest to you that we could meet 300 days and we could never have enough days. I would suggest to you that we could follow the lead of the great State of Wyoming and have 40 and 20 days, and given those time lines we could accomplish the necessary business of the State of Nebraska. I'm not a great orator, not able to turn the smooth phrase that seems to delight the ears of so many people on the floor of this body, from time to time in unending nonsensical amendments to bills to prove a point, but we don't have enough time. But I would suggest to you, each and every one of us, myself included, that when we consider absenting ourself from the floor, unless that absence is a heart-felt, inner belief that what we're doing is to the best interest of the State of Nebraska, that we should never complain about not having enough days. LR 233, in its current form, without the committee amendment is probably not something that should be advanced to the floor of the legis...to the body of the electorate because it needed some changes. But when we talk about not enough days, consider what we, as individuals, have done over the past number of years. I would again urge you to consider the advancement of LR 233 to Select File, where we would again have the opportunity to put it in the proper form. Thank you, Mr. Speaker.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Discussion? An amendment on the desk. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Haberman and Senator Warner would move to amend. (Haberman-Warner amendment appears on pages 995-96 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BARRETT: The Chair recognizes Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the body, my amendment and Senator Warner's amendment is so simply stated and understandable I didn't print it in the Journal. I have not passed out a copy either. The amendment states that starting in 1991, the Legislature shall meet biennially for 100 days. Every other year we meet for 100 days. Now as I understand it, this body represents the citizens of the State of Nebraska and as their representatives we should do what the majority of those folks would like to have done, as it's their state, they pay the