

the rules, the seriousness of the...oh, I don't want to comment on the resolution.

SPEAKER BARRETT: I believe any member can request that the number be a majority of elected members, 25 votes in other words.

SENATOR WARNER: I make that request, Mr. President.

SPEAKER BARRETT: Thank you. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, where in the rules does it say that a member can request that it takes 25 votes to adopt a resolution?

SPEAKER BARRETT: I believe it is in Rule 4, Senator Chambers, check Section 5 or 6, along in that area. We are ready, apparently, then to recognize Senator McFarland for the purpose of closing on LR 1 found on Journal page 60. Senator McFarland.

SENATOR MCFARLAND: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. As the special session is progressing in its present form, we can go ahead and pass the three limited proposed solutions that are on the agenda, and we can pretend that that is going to be a solution and we can go out of here and say, yeah, we took action, we solved the problem, wink, wink. But the truth of the matter is that one or two years from now those bills and that legislation, if it is passed, is going to be subject to court challenge and the Nebraska Supreme Court is going to do just as it has done in the past several years and strike them down and say that they are unconstitutional, and that they violate the uniformity clause of our state Constitution. Now I realize that may be after the 1990 elections and some of the people here in this body and elsewhere are concerned about those elections, and their only concern is getting reelected, but it seems to me that we have a duty and obligation to go beyond the concern of being reelected. We have a duty and obligation to protect local governments and schools from an even greater crisis down the road in one or two years when the Supreme Court strikes down these bills as unconstitutional, and then we are faced with massive refunds of personal property taxes that will really put the schools and the local governments in a financial crunch. It seems to me if we proceed in this path, we are merely putting off the tough decisions. We are perpetuating the deceit and misrepresentation that has gone on for the past three years in