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legislative day following the placement of the Appropriations bills on General File." Which, by the way, are supposed to be presented to the body on the 70th day of the 90-day working session, and the 40th day of the 60-day working session. Last year we never got some of the appropriations bills until the 80th day, and it was obviously very difficult for a lot of us to understand some of the circumstances regarding those appropriations. And I'm sure our committee, this year, will make every effort to have it in a timely fashion to you so that this particular amendment can apply. It goes on to say that Standing Committee amendments shall be printed in the Journal, and shall be considered by the Legislature no sooner than the eighth legislative day following the placement of the appropriations bill on General File. Standing Committee amendments shall be considered by the Legislature after Appropriations Committee amendments, but after all other amendments. Standing Committee amendments shall be considered in the order of filing. The fourth change simply strikes sections (b), (c), (d), (e) of Rule 8, Section 4. If you have a copy of your rules, that was the language that was placed in the rules when we decided we should encourage the Standing Committees to get more involved with the agencies on how much money they were spending, and, in effect, indirectly, at least, the appropriations process. Then we also should...the last change which is not identified, simply renumbers section (f), which should continue to remain in Rule 8, to new subsection (c). These are the four changes we recommend, Mr. President and members. We think it would provide for us, in a voluntary way, an opportunity to better participate as state senators with the important responsibility of not only spending money, but also with understanding how the system works, rather than just talking about tomorrow, understand what we're doing at the present time. We think it also offers some order. It certainly isn't the kind of thing that some people, I think, would like to see, which would mandate some more serious changes. But I think it is, in the final analysis, a compromise between those who are concerned about fulfilling their responsibilities even better in an appropriations process that has worked pretty well down through the years. So, Mr. Chairman, I would...Mr. President, I would move the adoption of these changes in Rule 8, Section 4.

SPEAKER BAACK: Is there discussion? Senator Smith.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I just have something