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amendments to our permanent rules. At this time, we are just adopting the...voting to adopt the permanent rules. A no vote on the permanent rules would mean that we don't have permanent rules. We have to go back to the drawing board and recreate the rules. So I guess I would urge people, even if you did not support the cloture notion, or some of the other ones that came up, that we are now at the point where we need the permanent rules of the body adopted. I understand symbolic votes against and I can understand that, but the effect of voting this down would be a message, I guess, to the Rules Committee, back to the drawing board, and we'd continue to operate under temporary rules. The other thing is I would like to urge the members of the freshmen class to continue to vote as they please. It is the class of 1978, Senator Wesely, I think we really need to keep an eye on. So that is the direction I would urge people to go.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Withem, and I will now recognize Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Well, Madam Chairman, is the question divisible? Is the question divisible? I understand that we've voted on each one of them separately. However, now we are voting to put them in the green book, and being as this is a whole new ball game, I think we ought to be able to divide the question and vote on them separately.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator Haberman, how would you like it divided?

SENATOR HABERMAN: I would like to vote on the last issue and let the other three go as a package.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator, are you asking to vote on the cloture rule separately?

SENATOR HABERMAN: Yes, ma'am.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Senator, I am going to rule that it is not divisible and that perhaps it might be more proper to ask for reconsideration.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Seeing no further debate, we will proceed with