

is going to say, Schmit, why did you vote for that dumb bill? Happened to me last night. Kind of put me on the spot. The facts are that we have to defend our votes, we have to do it time, after time, after time. Staff people don't have to defend what they do. But most of all, agency people do not have to defend what they do, instead they blame the Legislature. They say, the Legislature passed Section 47-201, which makes us do this, they don't mention the rule and reg, the rule and reg which usually costs money, requires the hiring of more people, requires the filling out of more forms, requiring the filing of forms which no one is ever going to read but which increases the cost to government and decreases the efficiency of the system. So, I haven't paid a lot of attention to your bill, Senator Coordsen. I admire you for having the courage to come in with it. Anyone who ever attempts to challenge the system is going to meet with a certain amount of resistance. And the bill probably isn't perfect, but if we only passed perfect bills...

PRESIDENT MOUL: One minute.

SENATOR SCHMIT: ...on this floor, we could adjourn sine die today. Thank you very much.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Schmit. I'll now recognize Senator Beutler, followed by Senators Haberman and Coordsen. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, Madam Speaker, I'll get that straight, I'm sorry. Members of the Legislature, I wanted to comment on Senator Landis's remarks. I, too, agree with much of what he has said. However, I think, in a factual sense, he's exaggerated a bit the role of committee, under the amendment. And I want to reiterate exactly how that would work, so you're clear on the facts. When we are in session there is no delegation of authority to any committee staff for anything. Okay? And when we are not in session, with regard to the part of the action that has to do with the Standing Committee, there is there also no delegation of authority to any staff member. The only delegation that is possible is the delegation to a subcommittee of the committee, and that delegation is only possible if the committee, itself, agrees to that, and the chairman of the committee, Senator Landis, in the case of his committee, would have to agree to the setting up, or be a part of setting up that subcommittee. And so if the subcommittee...if you wanted to make it a subcommittee of the