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hearing, so we can expedite the process. Third, I don't know if the case has been made in either of these instances that this is vital to our budgeting process. True, it may cause some of the assumptions to shift somewhat within the budget. But this is a problem we get into every year around appropriations time that the bill that Senator Wesely has, in Health and Human Services Committee, or Senator Hartnett has in Urban Affairs Committee, Senator Nelson has in Retirement Committee, Senator Withem has in Education Committee, and on down the line, Senator Rogers in Agriculture Committee, the other committee chairs have that is vitally important that they think to the betterment of public policy in their arena, is subjected to a public hearing, is stuck in committee, it takes its place on the roll with the other bills, and may or may not get heard ultimately by the full Legislature, because that's the way our process operates. But because the Appropriations Committee makes a determination that the bill is important, they have this vehicle of getting their bill, which is a policy change, it's not just a matter of funding, it's a policy change that a group of individuals ought to pay more than they're currently paying. That policy change gets referred directly to General File, is assured expedited hearing, and I don't know if the case has been made in these two cases, particularly Senator Lamb had indicated with the commercial drivers license folks, we just instituted a program, last year, that now all of a sudden this year we're coming back in without a public hearing on a bill, referring it to General File, doubling that particular fee. I think our process would work much more effectively if these bills did have public hearings by appropriate Standing Committees prior to their being sent to General File. For that reason, I would urge you to vote no on this particular rule suspension.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Beyer.

SENATOR BEYER: Mr. Speaker and colleagues, I would agree with Senator Withem. Part of our process is a public hearing, especially when it gets to this. But I would also say that, if we defeat this motion, and the next motion should be to suspend the rules and to go with that, and then that it gets referred to the proper committees, to keep from bypassing our committee structure. So I would urge you to vote no on this first division of the question. Thank you.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Beyer. Senator Haberman.