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please stand and be recognized. And Senator Brashear would like to recognize Doctor Dorothy Zink, of Omaha, who is serving as the Family Doctor of the Day on behalf of the Nebraska Academy of Family Physicians. Doctor Zink, will you also stand and be recognized. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. Proposed rule change number five is nothing more than a clarification. We have currently a provision in our rules that Standing Committee amendments are considered when a bill is on General File, and after that the introducer's amendments are to be considered next, regardless of the order in which the amendments have been filed. So, if...an introducer of the bill essentially is given an opportunity to try and get the bill in the shape that he or she desires prior to other amendments being considered. There have been some varying interpretations from the Chair with respect to this provision, however. And rule number five is simply intended to say that after the committee amendments are dealt with that the introducer's amendments go to the top of the list and are considered thereafter. So that's the simple idea behind rule change number five. And I would ask for your support.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Will. Any discussion of proposed rule change number five? Senator Crosby.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Madam Chair and members. I just have...Senator Will, I just have a quick question on this one. I understand what you're doing, that the introducer's amendments would come before any other amendments. Am I understanding that correctly? Are we free to amend the introducers amendments still?

SENATOR WILL: Absolutely, 'here would...I mean an amendment to an amendment is always in order at that point.

SENATOR CROSBY: You can still do that?

SENATOR WILL: Yes.

SENATOR CROSBY: Okay, thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Any further discussion? Seeing none, Senator Will, do you wish to close? Closing is waived. The question before the body is the adoption of proposed rule change number