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hope that we can come up with it. But certainly this is not intended to be a power play or anything on the part of the Rules Committee, and it's not intended to preclude any of the actions that we can take now. It's simply intended to encourage people to submit their proposals to the committee in a timely fashion so we can have hearings and act on the proposals in a deliberative fashion. But seeing as how it's engendered a variety of interpretations that were not contemplated by the committee, I, at this point, would pull my amendment and would hope that anyone else that has amendments up there would pull them and we can pass over this proposal and get on with the other rule changes.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Will, your amendment is withdrawn. If there is no objection, we will pass over the further...any further discussion on amendment eight. Any objection? Seeing none, we pass from amendment eight now to amendment number nine. The Chair recognizes Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: What? Oh, sorry.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Excuse me. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I will quickly give this discussion to Senator Wickersham. Proposed rule change number nine is a proposal that was brought by Senator Wickersham to the Rules Committee. It deals specifically with retirement legislation and the need for actuarial studies of that type of legislation. It was recommended to us by Senator Wickersham, who is the Chair of the Retirement Committee. And I would turn the discussion over to him to more fully explain it.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Wickersham.

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Chambers assures me that this amendment is so complicated that we won't have any problems at all. That can be true sometimes of retirement matters, but I hope this one is not so complicated that we can't bring an understanding of it to the body. This is actually, I think, a bit unusual for the Chair of a committee to propose a bill that would potentially reduce activity in that committee, or potentially reduce the freedom of that committee to act on specific pieces of legislation, but that's what it does. And it also restricts your ability to do certain things