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office so as to allow time for introduction by the tenth day. That's all that I have, Madam President.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. I would like to announce the doctor of the day is from Senator Pat Engel's district, Dr. David Hoelting is here from Pender, Nebraska. Dr. Hoelting, would you please stand and be recognized. There are two other announcements this morning. Senator Jim Jensen is celebrating his birthday today. He will have treats later on this morning of muffins and yardsticks. Happy birthday, Senator Jensen. And Senator Ray Janssen is the proud grandfather of a new grandson, over the weekend. Elliot Blair Janssen was born this weekend. Congratulations, Senator. We are now at the introduction of new bills. We now turn to Item 7 on your agenda, the motion to adopt permanent rules, so the Chair recognizes Senator Hall.

SENATOR HALL: Thank you, Madam President and members, I am here representing Senator Will who called me this morning sometime between six-thirty and seven. He has a fever of about 104 degrees. He's been ill on and off for two months so he is not going to be here today. Hopefully, he's on his way to the doctor, more likely the hospital. So I am a poor substitute on these issues but I will try to bring us back up to speed where we were. As I understand, Mr. Clerk, we are on the rule change found on page 222 in the Legislative Journal, amendment rule 7, Section 3(e).

CLERK: Senator, that is correct. It's the proposal that deals with division of the question.

SENATOR HALL: Okay.

CLERK: And I believe it's Item 11 on the members' packet that was passed out by the Rules Committee.

SENATOR HALL: Okay, thank you very much. This is the rule change, if you remember, that says that once a division has been ordered by the presiding officer, each component shall be treated as a separate and distinct proposition. The new language of the rule change would say that any individual component shall not be amendable. This was a...there was some debate last week before we adjourned about this issue. I happened to be questioning it and was in opposition, I believe, on the rule change because I think it raises questions with