

indicated it made good policy sense, and as we speak here, I think Senator Coordsen and other people are working on appropriate language for the notification requirements. Senator Hall has raised some language that deals with whether this intent language is proper, the findings and declarations, whether it is proper or not proper, and I have indicated publicly to him, he raised some good arguments. I am not comfortable, necessarily, with the language the way it is written in here when I read it in the context that Senator Hall presents it to us. I am not prepared to simply strike it out. I don't know how much more reasonable a sponsor of a bill can be, when we do, in fact, have a time line before us. There have been opportunities to move to suspend the rules, no further debate, or no further amendments. We haven't done that. I will put the body on notice, though, that as of 8:47 this evening, there will be an opportunity for the principal introducer to move for cloture. I plan to do that at that time, but that doesn't mean that the debate and the discussion ends because we have Select File and these amendments carry over and can be discussed on Select File. No problem with that. Given the fact that this Legislature is fairly or unfairly being asked to respond with some major policy decisions in a fairly short time period, I think we've behaved quite responsibly. I've not objected to any of the amendments that have come up as being outrageous, and I think we've done a good job of working through those. That having been said, however, that having been said, this is an extraordinary situation, and I plan on using the abilities that I have to make sure that we get these bills considered, which means though we are sitting here at the end of February meeting in the evening. It means I will probably be making motions to reconvene earlier in the morning and stay in later in the morning, and to come back in the evenings...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SPEAKER WITHEM: ...and maybe even come in on a Saturday, if we need to do that. I am perfectly prepared to do that because I think it is important that the Legislature respond, but...and if people need that extraordinary time to consider these bills, you know that is fine. What I am saying is, on one hand, I am perfectly willing to listen to amendments and discussion and argue the policy, the policy considerations, but on the other hand, there will become a time when we move on to the next state of consideration, and you will be put on notice that that will happen a little later on this evening. If we have the votes,