

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Oh, the Speaker is a little testy this morning. I guess, I guess when you've exercised power, you need time to recoup. See, some things have been done here that are not going to be soon forgotten. And when you decide you're going to use an iron fist, then remember that there are people who don't take kindly to it, and we cannot schedule and set the agenda, but we can certainly ask questions. And when the Speaker brings these bills and is going to push the body in the way he has and then he becomes so testy he won't answer a question, fine. We don't have to answer questions that are asked of us.

SENATOR CROSBY: Time. Senator Hall. Senator Hall. He yielded his time to you, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Madam President and members of the Legislature, it is too bad that we don't have a two-house Legislature. You know what, when we were picking people for positions down here some of them won by one vote, they got 25 votes. Any person can say their vote was the 25th, but mine was the 25th vote. This is a political body, political decisions are made. And when people want to use the power and authority that they were given to push their political agenda, everybody else may sit back and act like they're little children and belong to somebody in a proprietary way and will take it and be afraid to react to it, but I won't. Give me the power of the Speaker for a day and then I can get even in one day. But since that's not possible, we have to spread it out over the session. I'm going to offer some amendments to these bills and I hope they got a motion up there to suspend all the rules from now on to show how our whole process has been bastardized, distorted and perverted to push a political agenda. I was puzzled as to why there was so much pressure from the Speaker on these bills. Now, I don't know whether the mayor of Papillion is saying that he thinks they're going to get the project has anything to do with how we're being handled and manipulated on these projects, maybe it has something to do with it but I wouldn't dream of asking the Speaker about it because he's not going to answer any questions. And I don't believe in doing futile things. So I will, I guess, have to see if we can suspend the rules and allow a member of the Chamber of Commerce to come in here and stand in the front and answer questions for us on these bills. Nobody else on the floor knows enough to answer them, the one with the knowledge won't answer, so what's a poor legislator to do? Try to find a way to make the process and the system work. There