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this might be a good idea. At this point, I am inclined to want to do that. Obviously, the body will have the ability to vote not to do that if they wish to follow the predetermined June 2nd sine die date. But, at this point, I'm recommending it to the body that they consider it. There are some bills on Final Reading that have amendments pending. I am making you aware that in fashioning the daily agenda I will be giving priority to bills still...priority bills still on General File and Select File that haven't had the opportunity to get to Final Reading as opposed to scheduling bills for amendments on Final Reading, at least until we see how quickly we're moving through the General File and Select File list. The same way with other types of motions, motions to pull bills from committee, resolutions. I think the idea that Senator Janssen came up with and Senator Bohlke copied from him to schedule resolutions late in the day and supposed early in the morning is a good idea so we can, you know, not be using those to delay getting to other legislation. We'll be being very stingy in scheduling those. Last year we did the four-hour, eight-hour debate rule. I spell that out on the top of the second page. Beginning next week we'll start doing that. Modified consent calendar. There are some nonpriority bills that are...that are out there that really don't quite qualify for the 15-minute consent calendar rule but probably could get their full explanation of debate and discussion done within 30 minutes. That will be kind of a modified consent special order basis where they will be special order for 30-minute time limits. Again, we did that last year and it worked fairly well. We have moved to, on Select File, because of the time crunch, if you notice in the past, we had been listing all bills on Select File. We will now be listing only those that have priority status, which I think is probably what our rules envision at this time of the year. Consent calendar, beginning tomorrow we're going to try this experiment suggested by some of the committee chairs that we work...come in half an hour early and then take the first half hour of the...what would be the normal day and try to work through some consent calendar bills from eight-thirty to nine-thirty. We'll try that for a while, see how it works. Late nights. At this point I don't have any specific dates for late night scheduling but there will be some of those coming up and I will be kind of looking at that schedule and trying to let people know at least what I have in mind as far as that is concerned sometime. Probably maybe the middle of next week would be a good time to start planning for those. Last day of the week scheduling, we will be, the last day of the week, whether it be a Thursday or