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SENATOR WITEK: The Clerk has just told me that their general rule of thumb is ten pages. Anything over ten pages is filed in the Clerk's Office and anything under can be cost effectively produced in the Journal. So, if you want to put something like that in and amend this amendment to say that that is what we all can agree upon, that is fine with me.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. Let me ask Senator Will a question. Senator Will, do you have some comments you are going to make on this proposal?

SENATOR WILL: I was... what I was going to do Senator Chambers was, was clarify what Senator Witek just told you which is the ten page rule that the Clerk's Office uses and indicate that perhaps we could establish that through the intent of this debate that that would be a practice that would be continued under this proposition.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Will and you are touching on what I'm kind of considering, but if it is not in the rule, then our discussion would not be enough to bind anybody.

SENATOR COORDSEN PRESIDING

SENATOR COORDSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: If an amendment were added which would comport with the ten page rule, would you object to that being put into the rule? Can you see any reason why it ought not to be?

SENATOR WILL: Not if it is properly drafted, no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Thank you. I'm gong to work on something like that.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you Senator Chambers. Senator Withem.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Yes, Mr. President and members of the body, just a couple of comments, a comment and a question on this rule change. I am supportive of it, I'll be listening to the debate and the discussion to see if there is nay reason I should not be. I think most of what I heard about the discussion so far involves the need for members to be notified of amendments that