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Senator Bernard-Stevens, rest assured I'm not nervous at all about defending this or any other proposal that might come through this committee or any other that I am interested in. We do...I guess in response to your parliamentary query, I would point out that there are procedures intact in the rules as they exist for reference of rules that...rules changes that are submitted to be referred to the Rule (sic) Committee and a certain requirement for the committee to have a hearing within a certain number of days I guess "impliedly", if it's not, and again I don't...I haven't researched this in the few moments since you asked the question thoroughly, but I think "impliedly" that would mean that the rule...the rules changes are submitted to the Rules Committee for a hearing and subsequent action thereon. And I think that at that point certainly it would be the prerogative of the Speaker, the introducer of the rules, and the Rules Committee to get together and decide the process that would occur with respect to a hearing on the rule change and then submission to the Legislature for final approval at any time. Obviously, there is a certain interest in that. Once the permanent rules are adopted, it takes 30 votes to adopt a change to them, as opposed to the 25 before that occurs. So that certainly...you raise a legitimate point and I am, and simply speaking from experience as the way we've handled it prior, certainly that would be an appropriate question for the chair at some point.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you and for the Pages keeping track. This is number three and I recognize that for the third time. Senator Will, I appreciate that dialogue. In my interpretation of the rule that the staff person gave to you is that she is exact...or the rule is exactly right as you read it that any time within the session after the adoption of the permanent rules that somebody has a rule proposal that, just like on any other committee, it would be a referred...referenced to the Rules Committee to be discussed and either advanced forward and/or waited until the next time period where we adopt the rules, and if we wanted to change a rule, it would be 30 votes and what have you. But that's not what...I don't think...I think that...I will interpret that rule, and we'll have to get into a discussion later if we have to. I will interpret that rule as any time during the session anyone wants to add or change a rule, that's the procedure we follow. I