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SPEAKER WITHEM: Question before the body now then is the adoption of the Chambers amendment. The house is under call and we are still seeking members. If you are in your office, please return to the floor and check in. Those of you that are on the floor, please...please check in. Unauthorized parties leave the floor. Senator Fisher, Senator Schrock, Senator Wesely, Senator Jensen, Senator Kristensen, Senator Avery and Senator Lynch. Senator Wesely, could you check in, please. Senator Avery and Senator Kristensen. Senator Avery and Senator Kristensen. We are still seeking Senator Avery. That will be your lesson. The question before the body now then is the adoption of the Chambers amendment. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 28 ayes, 3 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Chambers' amendment.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The amendment is adopted. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a priority motion from Senator Will and that'd be to bracket the motion to adopt temporary...or permanent rules, excuse me, until January 16.

SPEAKER WITHEM: The motion before the body is to bracket the rules. I'm going to leave the house under call just for a couple of minutes. As I understand, the process we're going through may not take a great deal of time. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker, members of the body. I do intend to withdraw this motion. The purpose of it is to explain what I believe is occurring right now. The...very soon there will be a motion to adjourn. I think by the time that I am done speaking that motion will be before the body and it is a priority motion so we'll be taking it up at that time. We are at a point where we are muddling our way through this rules change. I shouldn't say muddling. We're working our way through this proposed rules change and I think there is, as the vote on the Senator Bernard-Stevens amendment to it earlier today indicated, there is a substantial split in the body. Maybe people, some people, are of mixed minds with respect to it. I think that the best way to proceed at this point, given that this is a significant change in the rules as has been evidenced by the debate that has occurred and the fact that we are spending a considerable amount of time on it, is that there