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agenda forward when a majority of members are prepared to move in a given direction versus the ability of individual members to raise objections through amendments and motions. And the body last year, after a very similar type of debate, decided that we were going to allow the Speaker, when the issue was raised by the principal introducer of a measure, to rule amendments and motions out of order when they're considered to be dilatory. A lot of debate, a lot of discussion, a lot of anger, a lot of name calling back and forth, and the body finally agreed to adopt this, this measure. And after the dust settled on it, it was not used once. Several times during the session people came up to me and said, hey, didn't we do something last, at the beginning of the session? Aren't we supposed to not have all of these motions up here any more? And I point out to them that the Speaker cannot arbitrarily rule things as dilatory under the rules. Nor can any member of the body raise the question of a motion being dilatory. The only individual that can is the main introducer. And for whatever reason, we went through a ninety-day session last year and no main introducer chose to raise the issue of amendments being raised for dilatory purposes. What this amendment will do, it will get rid of the pending amendment. And it will substitute in its place an amendment for Rule 7, Section 11, and we will strike out the requirement that the only person that can raise the issue of whether amendments and motions are made for dilatory purposes would be the principal introducer of the bill or resolution, and this would allow any member of the Legislature to do that.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Withem. We have five speakers on the list beginning with Senator Wesely. Did you wish to speak to the Withem amendment? Senator Wesely passes. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam President (sic) and members of the Legislature...

SENATOR COORDSEN: I don't know if my roommate would think too much of being... having me addressed as madam, but maybe on cold days. (Laughter)

SENATOR BEUTLER: I beg your pardon, Senator Coordsen. I oppose, I oppose the amendment and I would like to tell you why, and then I would like to encourage you to have the fortitude to stay with what we're trying to do. Senator Withem's amendment