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always do need. So I appreciate Senator Withem and Senator Chambers bringing this proposed amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Bromm. Is there any further discussion on the amendment? Seeing none, Senator Withem waives closing. The question before the body is the adoption of the Withem amendment to the permanent rules. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Please record.

(CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the motion to adopt the amendment as offered by Senators Withem, Chambers, and Will.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The amendment is adopted. We now return to a discussion of the permanent rules. Senator Wesely.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Madam President, members, I guess I don't know, I would ask Senator Will, but I guess I'd maybe ask...I don't know who to ask on this, but I am a bit concerned about...not concerned, but I was wondering in my interpretation, maybe I will ask Senator Withem this question, Senator Withem, and I know it wasn't your amendment to the rule change, but the rule dealing with the scheduling of bills and the five priority bills for the Speaker, there was a provision about the scheduling, and it looked to me like it's a joint deci...what I interpret that as meaning is that you go from a situation where the chairperson of the committee has absolute authority in the setting of agendas or scheduling of bills for hearings to one where the Speaker, on five issues, can intervene and work with the chairperson on it. But what, and, supposedly, there is a mutual agreement reached, but my question is there doesn't look like there is an ultimate authority given to the Speaker. It looks like it is a joint decision. If there is an impasse, if there should down the road sometime, how does that get resolved? Have you thought about that at all?

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Withem.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Well, at least for this next year, I will just force you to see things my way. No, you know I am not clear on that, Senator Wesely, to be totally honest. I know that there were a number of amendments adopted to this provision. I am not sure exactly how it reads. The comment I would make, though, is that regardless of what this says, I think one of the amendments