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Senator Landis will do and they'll punch their button in, or they'll file something written and object. If you want to make a public statement, you can object to it being adopted that way and have your own resolution brought up so you can say a few words, and oftentimes that's acceptable and that's appropriate. I can think of times we've had resolutions here. One of our Sergeant of Arms passed away. Think it was extremely appropriate that the body express its appreciation to the family. That's done publicly. That's a good use of time. I'm trying to think who's got the best athletic teams. It used to be Senator Vrtiska used to have the best athletic teams, and I think they've probably slipped a little, but he may not want to stand up all the time and brag about how good his athletic teams are. Maybe it's we don't want to listen to him stand up and do that, it's one of those two, but the issue there is there's a number of those that are routinely done. They're done out of courtesy, and to people, quite frankly, they are impressed and it is a good thing to do. Senator Crosby is exactly accurate. It's a very nice touch when a group or an individual gets one of these congratulatory or condolence resolutions of the Legislature. And some people just put them on plain paper; other people have a very nice stock, it is well done, it looks nice, and there's a presentation. We don't want to do away with that form. What I want to do is have the opportunity to process some of these things in a summary fashion. If you do want to get up and speak, it's a simple objection to treating it this way, and then you can bring your own motion up on the floor. If it doesn't pass, members, this is...this isn't a personal issue. If you want to vote no, you're free to vote no. I think it's a good way of handling these things in a summary fashion. The Rules Committee agreed. I'd be happy to answer any questions. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. There are no other lights on other than Senator Kristensen's. Did you wish to say anything further? Senator Kristensen's is off. No other lights on. Senator Hudkins, to close on the amendment to Rule 4, Section 5.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I would move Rule 4, Section 5.