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SENATOR TYSON: ...a fourth reason.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes.

SENATOR TYSON: The horse might fly.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes. Thank you, Senator Tyson. Leaving Senator Schimek out of this, "Baron" Tyson is old...I'll let that speak for itself...Senator Chambers is old, and others in the Legislature are old. Therefore, I see no reason in refusing to grant Senator Schimek's motion about her own bill. And thank you for your help, "Baron" Tyson.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Kristensen.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I...Senator Chambers was kinder and gentler than I'm probably going to be. There's a certain amount of courtesy that I think you need to exhibit on these procedural matters, and one is, what really is the difference between bracketing to a date certain when the sponsor of their own bill wants to do that to a date certain, particularly when it's next session? If this bill is bracketed, I can schedule it tomorrow. It will be up tomorrow if I would, as Speaker, put it on. Now, you'd probably be angry with me, but I could do that tomorrow. If it's bracketed to a date certain next session, I can't touch it till next session. And so I understand that there may be the desire that we're in the throes of the last few days and these are bills that we feel strongly about. But as a practical matter, when the sponsor of the bill says, look, I'm going to give up on my bill and I'm going to give it up till next year, I think that courtesy and somewhat of a camaraderie here ought to be to honor that. And so I don't know who the journal will recognize as being the person who objected officially. But quite frankly, it's procedurally better to have it to a date certain, so you're guaranteed you will not see it the rest of the session. And with that, I would hope whoever the Journal recognized as objecting would withdraw that, and we would...we'd move on. There's lots of other bills and things we need to do. Thank you.