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SENATOR CHAMBERS: Was this provision sought to be amended by any of these recommended changes brought before us by the Rules Committee?

SENATOR HUDKINS: We did not deal with Section 6. Perhaps we should have. If it is our intent to merge two of the committees, perhaps one of those should have been removed.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And, Senator Hudkins, two of them would have to be removed, wouldn't they, Agriculture and Natural Resources and Transportation? Because currently, in the line of people taking over as the Governor is absent, Lieutenant Governor, Speaker and so forth, the order of presiding officer is based on who presides over these named committees. Is that...would you agree?

SENATOR HUDKINS: There would have had to have been the Chairperson of the Agriculture, Environment and Natural Resources Committee, yes, you're right.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So we would...okay, thank you. That's all that I wanted to ask you. Members of the Legislature, I take seriously the work that is done, and I also read it and the rule book is where I won't say I live but every now and then I'll take up temporary residency there. And we, when we're going to change the rules, should deal with that subject, wherever it occurs, in the book. So if you-all are going to run ahead, headlong, and change the names of committees and merge committees, then you certainly are going to be compelled to deal with the provisions of our rules that list the order in which people will be presiding officer as those preceding them are not present, but that was not done. You all think that I nitpick. I don't think this is nitpicking. This rule book is not thick. This rule book is not as thick as some comic books. How much time would it take us to read the rule book? So, instead of getting angry at me when I say let us follow the rules that you-all vote to adopt, and which I vote against every session, why not gain facility in working the rules? Why would I want you to gain facility in working the rules when often I use the rules to achieve my ends? Because knowledge is power and if you knew the rules a lot of issues I raise I wouldn't even have to raise because you would say amen right away. But many times