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chance. He's got no chance either. This is just a warm-up, a dress rehearsal for what's going to happen to his bill, he knows that, and some of these other bills around here. That's why Senator Byars is staying here. Do you think he'd not like to be in the lounge or where the rest of my colleagues, whatever rock they went and hid under, scuttled and scurried to hide under? He wants this training so that when his turn comes he'll be prepared for it, and I'm going to do in this Legislature what I ought to do, and if people do not like it that's their prerogative. They're grown. They don't have to like anything I do. They don't have to vote for anything that I propose. But I understand human nature and I understand that people who might on one given day or at one period during that day are almost unanimously of a mind that were it not for the Eighth Amendment to the constitution, they would tear me limb from limb if I would let them do it without fighting back. But before that day is over that apparent solid phalanx is going to fragment, because another issue is going to come up that they don't all agree on. So that's why I don't get worried about anything happening here. Even when everybody gets...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...angry, they're not going to be angry very long. It's not going to last. It blows over. Then we get down to the serious kernels of what has to be dealt with and on this bill, these amendments, we haven't gotten down to that yet, but I assure you before the day is over we shall.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. The question before us is the Chambers amendment to the Rules Committee amendment to the adoption of the permanent rules. Those in favor vote aye, those opposed nay. Mr. Clerk, please record.

CLERK: 2 ayes, 15 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The amendment is not agreed to.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Chambers would move to amend. (Legislative Journal page 224.)