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SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. Before, and I would entertain or I will make the motion to adjourn this evening given on what Senator Bohlke and Senator Beutler have said. There was a memo passed out to you this afternoon. I just want to briefly go over that, so you have some understanding. For those of you who do not, it is also in your offices with e-mail, which talks about tomorrow we're going to read the claims bill first and the Appropriations Committee's package, and we've got a few other bills that don't have a fiscal impact. What that's going to allow us to do, if we get the budget bill read and delivered tomorrow to the Governor, we'll have all the vetoes back by the end of next week. That will then give you the weekend to look over the vetoes, if you choose to override them, and then when we come back for the last full week, which is April, the 3rd, in the afternoon we'll schedule those overrides. So you will have time, the Appropriations Committee will have time that morning to meet to make some recommendations, after they've had a chance to do that. That also let's us know what the budget looks like before we go into A bill consideration. Also in the memo you will see that my plans would be to be on Monday and Wednesday of the next two weeks to go into the evening. Now what does the evening mean? Does that mean seven o'clock? Does that mean eleven o'clock? I don't know. I'm going to plan for meals for those evenings. So I think...I would hope we'd at least go to seven-thirty, eight o'clock, because given the amount of things we need to do, so if you need to plan for whoever, that would be my belief that we would go on Monday and Wednesday the next two weeks at least till seven-thirty, eight o'clock, and there would be meals provided. I've had a number of questions about when the 60th day is? The 60th day is going to be April, the 12th, which is a Wednesday. So on your calendars, if you want to plan, that will be the 12th. There's been discussions with the Governor, providing we do what I think we'll get done, he's agreed to get the bills back to give us a chance to override. Those bills, if we get to them reasonably on the 59th day, will be able to be returned for us to reconsider or consider overrides. So that's the reason we can set the 60th day and that will be the 12th. Laurie, in my office, would be glad to answer any questions. I would be, too. I move that we adjourn until tomorrow morning at 9:00 a.m.