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Thank you.

SPEAKER BROMM: Thank you, Senator Brown. We have no more speakers. Senator Quandahl, you'd be recognized to close on the amendment to the amendment.

SENATOR QUANDAHL: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. And as Senator Beutler indicated, I do intend on withdrawing this particular amendment, just because a little bit prior to this I did visit with a number of my colleagues and, alas, I don't believe that there are 25 votes that would support my proposal, however logical that I feel that it is. I just wanted to make sure that everybody was aware that we're not going to have an opportunity to redistrict our congressional districts for another ten years, and the process that we went through, as Senator Brown said, was a very thoughtful, a very hard-fought process that we went through in coming up with those congressional district lines. And just in my opinion, that would make sense to organize our Legislature around those same principles. And so with that, I would withdraw this amendment.

SPEAKER BROMM: It is withdrawn. Thank you, Senator Quandahl. We're now back to discussion on the Rules Committee proposal number three as it has been amended. Are there any further persons that wish to speak? Seeing none, Senator Hudkins, you'd be recognized to close on this rules proposal.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Thank you, Mr. President and members. If you remember what we did before lunch, we did amend this, the proposal, to change two legislative districts into two different caucuses. The 3rd District would remain in the 2nd Caucus, where it is now, and Senator Kremer's 34 would remain in the 1st Caucus, where it is now. After this is done, if you refer back to your map, the amended proposal then would be more geographically compact than what we have at the present time. This proposal, where we have accommodated the wishes of these two senators, I feel is a reasonable request. And if this amended proposal is adopted, then a bill will have to be drafted and introduced, and then, of course, passed, so that the Executive Board caucus, which must be changed by statute...only the Committee on Committees may be changed by the Rules