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SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Tyson. Senator Schimek, there are no further lights on. You're recognized to close on your amendment to Rule 3, if you care to.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. I have a few things that I would like to close with here today and, Senator Beutler, the first comment that I have is for you, and I would like to remind you and other members of the body that the Program Evaluation Committee wasn't even established until 1992, and in that year the Exec Board was not hearing bills. So that means it must have gone to another committee and, you know, I didn't...I haven't gone back to do the research on it, but I would imagine that it came to Government Committee at that time. So this argument that performance evaluation bills should only be heard by the Exec Board I think is not correct, and I would argue that intensely. I do have faith in the Government Committee to handle some of these bills. We've been working hard on the personal service contracts with the Appropriations Committee, the Health and Human Services Committee, Business and Labor Committee. We've been working on looking at the way other states do performance evaluations. We think that our own legislative office does a terrific job, but they're somewhat handicapped because we don't give them much money or we don't give them much staff, and so that is a little bit problematic. Senator Tyson, I would like to say that consider the consequences. If you didn't agree with Senator Chambers, you'd have to agree with Senator Schimek, and that would probably be even worse than agreeing with Senator Chambers. I don't take this lightly and I don't think the members of the Government Committee take this lightly, and I hope that you don't. I am not going to take this to a vote right now because I agree with Senator Chambers the language isn't as good as it could be or should be. I don't want to take up this body's time unduly or unnecessarily. I think we've made a point. I would not have ever brought up the bill on address confidentiality that got addressed to the Judiciary Committee if I hadn't just been before the Executive Board and told them all my concerns and complaints, and then, kind of as I walked out the door, I felt like maybe there was a little push out the door, I'm not sure. But I am not going to take this to the vote