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pursue it because it's out of sequence. And so I started rummaging through the rules thinking what...I believe the public hearing is important, but what is the role? How does it fit? Is there any maneuvering room here? And that's when I came across this Rule 6, Section 3, subsection (g). Maybe others are familiar with it. I discovered it for the first time. And what it says is, in the event a bill has become substantially a new and different bill by reason of amendments having been adopted, the Speaker may refer said bill to the Reference Committee, who must refer the said bill to a proper committee for a public hearing. And then it says, the Speaker's decision can be challenged in that kind of a situation. If I'm reading that correctly, that smacks suspiciously of common sense. What that means is maybe the best idea on something comes up later in the process. And when you think about it, we have three stages of consideration in our system. We've got some flexibility and some leeway, some maneuvering room built into it. The way I read this rule is that Senator Quandahl's approach was not bizarre, off the wall, beyond the pale. It's actually anticipated and accommodated in our rules. This says, yeah, if in the churning of the legislative process, you discover when the bill is already in play what the best idea really is, you can go ahead and embrace it and adopt it. And then if we need to, we recirculate it through our process so the public does get a crack at it. So I just want two acknowledgements...

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: One minute.

SENATOR MAXWELL: ...for the...thank you. And I will wrap up with two acknowledgments that I want to get in the record. One is that Senator Quandahl's approach, although perhaps unconventional or unusual, was not out of order and, number two, I want it acknowledged for the record that the Legislature can consider and adopt an amendment that presents a substantially new and different idea, even if it has not yet had a public hearing. That's all I have, Mr. President, thank you.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Maxwell. The Chair recognizes Senator Redfield.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor and