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times you had to look for another bill to tag it on, or find someone that...or the Speaker to perhaps allow it to come in, because a lot of times these would come in at the last moment. And so I think it's very important that we do this, in order to really function as a Performance Audit Committee. So I do support the change.

**SENATOR CUDABACK:** Thank you, Senator Engel. Senator Bromm, on the amendment.

**SPEAKER BROMM:** Thank you, Senator Cudaback. And I just want to say that when the idea was first presented, I wasn't sure that I was going to be supportive of it. But as I thought more about it, and also having recently become a member of the Performance Audit Committee, it's obvious to me that that committee is going to delve into some very difficult subject matters, and they're going to generate some important legislation, I think, in...as a result of their thorough examination of various aspects of state government. And when they do come with something that's fairly significant, it seems to me that it is appropriate that that committee can send a message to the body, we think this is important that it be done, and that they have an opportunity to have that measure considered here on the floor. So...and we emphasized that area more last year by increasing the size of that committee. So this body has said, we think that's an important area; we want more senators involved in the discussion. And the priority designations would be by the committee, not by any one individual, but by a majority vote of that seven-member committee. So having reflected on those things, I feel that this is a proposal and a rule change that I will support. Thank you, Mr. Chairman.

**SENATOR CUDABACK:** Thank you, Senator Bromm. Seeing no further lights on, Senator Baker, you're recognized to close on your motion if you care to.

**SENATOR BAKER:** Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members. I echo what Senator Bromm has said. At first blush I thought, do we really need this? But after hearing the testimony and listening to the discussion, I do believe we need this. And I don't know how often that the committee would actually designate a bill as