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Committee has acted. But I'd like to have...ask that you support the Rules Committee in its decision to indefinitely postpone this rule change. And I'd like to make a couple comments as far as...in the last 12 years, as far as the...what the Referencing Committee has done. Now I haven't gone back to 1995, but I have 1997, the Referencing Committee did introduce, I think, it's quite a page here, probably 17 or 18 bills. Most of them were constitutional amendments. But that was the year that the Constitutional Revision Committee had met. This past year, 2004, one, two, three, four, five, six were referenced to us. Five of those were constitutional amendments, and one was to create the State-Tribal Relations Committee, and what that was, to set up a committee of legislators, which kind of falls into our purview. So we don't refer that many bills to ourselves. We're not looking for more bills to hear. So I think, as far as I'm concerned, let's leave the...let's leave the rules as they are. Like I say, it was "IPPed" in Rules Committee, and I certainly agree with their decision. Thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Engel. Further discussion on the motion offered by Senator Schimek. Senator Smith, followed by Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President and members. I am approaching this issue with an open mind, and looking over the subject matter. And as a former member of the Government Committee with Senator Schimek, I do share her concern. And for that reason, I rise in support of her efforts. I look down the list, and knowing that Senator Schimek and I disagree on many issues, especially some of the issues here on the list that have gone to the Exec Board or have been referenced to the Exec Board rather than Government Committee, I don't mind the fact that Senator Engel is chairing the committee that's hearing some of these bills. But nonetheless, we do have an issue here that is worthy of a great deal of discussion and consideration by the body. The trend is troubling to me, where it used to be no bills at all, then it starts out with one, and then...and grows over the years. So that's the trend that is disconcerting to me. And I think that this is certainly worthy of further discussion and consideration, and I hope a favorable