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just said that probably the Natural Resources Committee could do its work on a Wednesday and a Thursday, but I don't know. It's going to take away from some of the things we have to do, but I'm sure any committee Chair would say that. But I didn't see any other committee Chairs put their foot in their mouth like I did. And so you're all protecting your turf. I think that's...I think that's a given. So with that, I will be quiet and we'll see what happens as the session goes on.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schrock. Senator Brashear, followed by Senator Kremer.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Mr. President, members of the body, the reason that we're--I can't resist this--the reason that we're paid the extraordinary sum of money that we're paid and our power must be term limited, as it must be, is because we get to make decisions like this. I urge that we not run from our fear but rather we race toward the challenge. The challenge is that our Retirement Committee needs the time. The responsibility is there. Dealing with the millions and millions and millions of dollars of liability is a fiduciary responsibility. We must face up to it. So rather than reacting to what we fear will come out of this, I urge the support of the Rules Committee work in support of the Retirement Committee and the adoption of this proposal, irrespective of any other, so that we can move forward positively to meet the challenge that is clearly before us, unless we don't want to see it. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Brashear. Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Thank you, Senator Cudaback and members of the body. I guess I'd like to ask a few questions of Senator Hudkins, please.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Hudkins.

SENATOR HUDKINS: Yes.

SENATOR KREMER: The Committee on Committees now would have a study during the interim. Would we authorize them to...what their decision is would be the final decision, or would it have