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responsible for setting this time in consultation with the Speaker. But in the attempt to try to provide some additional clarity or oversight that may bring some comfort to the body, I would propose this language to be added. Again, it would read: After consultation with the Speaker and with the approval of the Executive Board, the Committee on Committees shall publish a schedule of standing committee meetings, in such a manner to avoid, as far as possible, conflicts in the assignment of members to committees. Standing committees shall meet at 1:30 p.m. on weekdays, unless otherwise approved by the Legislature. Essentially, that would be the change to Section 6 of Rule 3. I would encourage your adoption. I believe that it furthers the attempt of Senator Beutler to try to provide some better oversight for this process. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Erdman. You've heard the opening on the Erdman amendment to the permanent rules. Open for discussion. Senator Chambers. Did you mean for your light to be on?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Yes, Mr. President. Senator Erdman, this is the proposal that you had discussed with me earlier? I'm going to support Senator Erdman's proposal. I don't see where it would create any difficulty. But I'm going to listen to the debate and see if there might be. I have another amendment up there which is going to give me an opportunity to discuss this Chaplain Coordinator thing again, and I will not cloud the discussion over Senator Erdman's issue with those very strong feelings that I have. But I'll tell you what, a whole lot of hypocrites voted the way they did, because you're never up here for the prayer, and every one of you who voted against my proposal ought to be here for that prayer, but you know you're not going to be here. Hypocrites. Why call you me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things that I say? With your mouth you acknowledge me, but your heart is far from me. That's from your "Bibble." You know why I quote it here? Just like your preachers' prayers, it doesn't mean anything to you. But I like to whip you with it. You were beaten with scourges; I shall beat you with scorpions. That's from the "Bibble." And "scorpion" in that context was not the little creature with a sting in its tail. Find out what a scourge was, then do a