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CLERK: Yes. Mr. President, Senator Brashear would move to suspend Rule 5, Section 6(b) to permit the consideration to take action on bills placed on consent calendar on Wednesday, February 22, 2006, with less than 24 hours notice on the agenda.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. Speaker Brashear, you're recognized to open.

SPEAKER BRASHEAR: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I apologize for this, but sometimes you just can't get everything in the shape you want it by the time you need it, and in order to proceed with a consent calendar that I have worked out for tomorrow, with 23 bills on it, it should have been published, under our rules, by 9:00. I thought maybe you would see fit to suspend the rules and let me publish the consent calendar now and we'll have 23 bills on the consent calendar tomorrow morning. And I would ask your support of this rules suspension. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Speaker Brashear. Motion is debatable. Open for discussion. Senator Brown. Thank you, Senator Brown. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, I would like to ask Senator Foley a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Foley, would you respond?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Foley, you were here when a vote was taken to adopt permanent legislative rules. Is that correct?

SENATOR FOLEY: It is.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you cast a vote on that question. Is that correct?

SENATOR FOLEY: I voted no.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: You're getting ahead of me. You cast a vote on that question, did you?