

January 15, 1975

PRESIDENT: The Legislature will come to order. We'll have prayer by the Chaplain, the Reverend Everett F. Hezmall.

CHAPLAIN: (Prayer)

PRESIDENT: Roll call. Will you please record your presence. Have you all recorded? Mr. Clerk, record please.

CLERK: Quorum present, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Call for correction to the Journal. Are there any corrections from the floor? Seeing none, the Chair rules that the Journal is in order. Petitions and memorials?

CLERK: None, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Notice of committee hearings and reports?

CLERK: Mr. President, we have here a report from the Select Committee addressed to Vincent Brown, Clerk of the Legislature. I have been directed by the Select Committee on the contested election in the 48th legislative district to request from members of the Legislature any suggestions relative to the procedure to be used by the Committee. The next scheduled meeting is for 2:00 p.m. on Friday, January 17th. It is anticipated the final rules under which the Committee is operated will be adopted at that time, signed, Senator Warner. And, I assume that's in Room 2102 Senator Warner. It's in Room 2102.

PRESIDENT: Mr. Clerk would you repeat the time and place again please.

CLERK: The meeting -- the next meeting for adoption of the rules by the Select Committee for the contested election in the 48th district, will meet Friday, January 17th, 2:00, in Room 2102.

PRESIDENT: Anything else Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: That's all the reports Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: For what purpose do your rise, Senator Cavanaugh?

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Questions of Senator Warner.

PRESIDENT: That's in order.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Senator Warner, is your committee prepared to dispose of this matter within the 15 days limit? -- and allow the Legislature to act?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Cavanaugh, the committee -- in itself I guess would be prepared to do it whether or not the information which the Legislature directed in their original motion will all be available in order to meet that time line -- I do not know. I think you perhaps were there yesterday when there was some discussion as to whether there would -- the 15 day calendar day requirement could be met. There has been no decision, I don't believe, at this point that it cannot, but there is obvious problems of having the information all available to us from those who have filed the contested election.

SENATOR CAVANAUGH: Well, my concern here is that 15 days is a statutory mandate and I think if we're not going to meet it that we should consider what else we're going to do.