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why we should further compound our own inadequacies that we have so often protracted on this floor. I think once more that there are pieces of legislation that we should look at very seriously. I think this is our opportunity. If we have been guilty of misusing and abusing the powers and rules of this body, here's one time when we can say we'll take the extra day and we will give of ourselves to the business at hand, and not allow certain pieces of legislation to hang over, which would be nothing but an excuse to the general public. I, like Senator Lewis, have some obligations but they're not with a three wood nor a spinning reel. They are with other matters that I think are more important. Therefore, I would say to each individual and to the Speaker, I am not here second-guessing the Speaker's action at all. I did not do this in an attempt to override or to subrogate anything he's attempted to do. I did this in good conscience because I think it's the right type of thing to do. We constantly talk about Emory Burnett and his problems. He's still going to have problems. I think we would only be doing the right thing by allowing him more time. We're only doing the right thing by looking at the legislation on Select File and giving our close scrutiny and attention to it this afternoon. We can go to Final Reading when we come back, and take care of the other necessary business. Therefore, I urge you to consider this amendment very seriously and feel that it's the right thing to do, with no intention of casting aspersions at any man on this floor for our past mistakes.

PRESIDENT: The question of Senator Koch is following adjournment today we return Tuesday to complete the business of the Legislature. All those in favor signify by voting aye, opposed. Have you all voted? Please vote. Record.

CLERK: 17 ayes, 24 nays, 8 not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion fails. We now go to Final Reading. Senator Marsh. There's nothing that the Chair can do about it, Senator Marsh, on a machine vote. Senator Marsh has moved for reconsideration of her vote. That's your motion? I have to rule you out of order, Senator Marsh. Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President, I rise for point of information from the Speaker, or the Chair, or someone. What position ... if I may ask Mr. President the question. What position do these bills, that were moved over from General File to Select File, find themselves in on January 1? Will they still be on Select File with the provision that we debate them as if they were on General File? Or will they come back to General File? What is their position?