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SPEAKER NICHOL: No, if you like the idea just vote green if you don't I'll get the idea.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Okay, I will restate the question Senator Nichol and please be sure that I have stated it correctly when I do state it. I'm going to open the board and we are voting on a general philosophical agreement with the Speaker and not on a suspension of the rules. If you agree with the Speaker that priority bills that have been rejected on General File should come up for another half hour debate in about a two week period, then you should vote green. If you are not in agreement with that philosophy and wish those bills to come up at the end of all other priority bills, then you should vote red. Is that correct Senator Nichol? Okay, the board is open. Lets hold the vote for one second. Did you have your light on Senator Chambers, I didn't notice.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: No, I want a clarification now on what we are doing. . .

SENATOR BEUTLER: . . . I closed the board Mr. Clerk, lets listen to Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Now if this is not putting in place of a rule or changing a rule so what would it take to change this should a change be desired? And I'm asking so that I know what it is that we are putting in place here today. That is the only reason I'm asking. Not even expressing agreement or disagreement with it.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Senator Nichol.

SPEAKER NICHOL: It is not a rule we are talking about Senator Chambers, we are merely talking about whether or not we want to bring a bill back that is not passed the first time, a priority bill on General File. Two things we can do. The first, and what I am suggesting is, wait two weeks, bring it up with no more than a half hour discussion and vote on it. If the half hour runs out we will vote on it. The other alternative is that if we do not do it that way then put it at the bottom of the General File priority list and take it up when it comes up again. Is that clear?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: In other words, it is allowing the Speaker to, I'll leave it alone, maybe I'm . . .

SPEAKER NICHOL: The Speaker has the authority to do it and I was just trying to get a consensus of which way you would like to do it better Senator Chambers.