

would...are not going to be talked about being offered as amendments. Senator Wesely, I'm sure, will come with his cleanup bill that has seventeen bills that the Health Committee wanted to get through and they'll all be in there. And I say that somewhat tongue in cheek because last year I think he cut it down to seven. But...but nonetheless, we're going to have all of those, those things happen. We're going to have the Speaker special order things. And it's going to be very controversial on whatever case may happen. This is a very difficult time of the year. But all of us have a responsibility to ourselves to dig in with both hands and do the best we can for our constituents and for what we believe is best for Nebraska. Because of what's going to happen this year and in other years, and even when there are years when Senator Chambers' physical, corporal presence will not be here, because there's even certain things even Senator Chambers cannot stop, that we lock at the future of the Legislature, what we want to have happen and what we...what we have. This particular rule change is...Section (c) is really the only reason, I think, that those that purport to support the rule want the rule. I really don't think they cared if the Speaker could select five bills. I really don't think they cared that the Speaker, you know, needs to work with the committee to find an early date hearing and move that bill forward because they all knew that the Speaker already had that power. The Speaker could already take any bill he so desired, if it was important enough, and special order that. We had it last year with the Micron debate. It was special ordered immediately. I suspect we'll have it this year. I haven't seen anyone prioritize LR 93. I would assume that, and when the Revenue Committee does its work and we come out with a bill, that it will be special ordered due to the importance and put to the top of the list. And when we get to that debate of 93CA, how are my rural colleagues and my urban colleagues going to feel when things really get to the crunch? The Speaker has the power to say, okay, we're getting towards midnight here; here are the three amendments we're going to vote on and right after will be a rule suspension motion. And the rest of the fighting that all of us have done on whatever issue it may be, may never be able to have...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...its full hearing in front of 48...49 senators. What we in the Legislature need to remember