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time.) New resolution. LR 315. (Read brief summary.) And, Madam President, announcement, Senator Robinson has selected LB 822 as his priority bill for this session. That's all that I have. (See pages 232-38 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Madam President, Senator Chambers would move to amend Senator Beutler's, I should say the Rules Committee amendment number 2. Senator Chambers, I have now in line 1 strike three and insert twenty.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The chair recognizes Senator Chambers to open on his amendment.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, one of the reasons I'm offering a series of amendments is to give an opportunity to myself to make a record. And I'm starting with the number of amendments at a minimum that I think every senator should be allowed to offer if we're going to arbitrarily restrict them so I would change that number from three to twenty. But I want to ask Senator Will a question as chairperson of the Rules Committee.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Will, will you yield?

SENATOR WILL: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Will, what other Legislature has this provision where a member is limited to only three amendments or motions or a combination of the two at any stage of debate?

SENATOR WILL: Off the top of my head, none that I know of, Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Are you aware of any study that has been undertaken by those who support this suggestion that we be restricted to three?

SENATOR WILL: The committee has been looking at various measures that are employed by other states. I think...I don't recall any finding from that study that indicates an arbitrary