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SENATOR CHAMBERS: I was looking for my copy, but our rule books don't have dates on them. What was the color of the cover on...?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Believe it was gold.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Okay. And I do have one of those, but I wanted to be sure that I had the right one. Is every one of the rules which is in that book adopted by us if we adopt this motion?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Rules that were in place at the end of the last session would be what would be adopted.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, in that rule book is a rule that says amendments to the rules will require a certain number of votes. Is that a rule which also is adopted by us, or is somehow that rule going to be abrogated?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: The rule...the rule that you're citing is in the gold rule book, Senator Chambers, that's correct.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: So how many votes will it take to adopt an amendment to the rules?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator, at this time we have a motion to adopt the temporary rules. That would be a discussion that would be better served at the time that we look to adopt the permanent rules.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Well, why cannot we state that now if what we're adopting when we adopt the temporary rules would be all of the rules that are in the gold book?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Because at this point it's out of order.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'll accept that. Then I want to have a discussion because we can discuss this motion. Members of the Legislature, I don't know what is in the water or has been in the water. I don't know what is in the air. I don't know what nefarious forces outside the Legislature have been at work, but