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the president shakes his head and I'm sure he can tell which are my right and which are my left hand, let me continue with it and please watch this, each member present shall indicate his presence upon the electric roll call system and shall remain in his seat during the call. Now here comes another gem. After the Clerk shall note the names of the absentees, proceedings under the call maybe suspended at any time by a majority vote of the members than present and when so suspended shall not again be ordered on the proposition pending, except by a majority vote of the members elected. If all absentees were to vote on one side of the question, and if their combined vote would be insufficient to change the result of the vote, the President shall declare the call raised. In other words, if it is very obvious that the vote cannot be changed, even by those that are absent, why the call would be raised because there is no reason or rhyme for to get them in here because it wouldn't change. Now if you will take that into consideration, I'll try to answer any questions that might be brought before us and then I'd like to proceed with the vote as to whether or not you want the rule changed.

SPEAKER: Is there any further discussion of the rule change. The Chair recognizes Senator Nore..

SENATOR NORE: Mr. Speaker I would like to as Senator Duis a question.

SPEAKER: Senator Duis would you yield to a question?

SENATOR DUIS: Under this new rule it would be almost impossible to get a call of the house if you were a little bit on the losing side.

SENATOR DUIS: I don't believe so Senator Nore, when you ask for the call of the house, the rule change merely says instead of having the five hands that you get a majority of the members present and voting, in other words if only seven members vote and four of them are for and three are against, you still got your call of the house.

SENATOR NORE: Well we will see how it works out.

SENATOR DUIS: It just eliminates Senator Nore, that hand raising situation.

SPEAKER: Any further discussion on the rule change? Senator Duis we are back to you for any possible closing, Senator Duis is closing on his motion to adopt the rule change as explained on page, and as found on page 234.

SENATOR DUIS: I would have no closing but of course in closing they are still allowed to ask questions.

SPEAKER: We even discussed that this morning and there isn't really a procedure for that.

SENATOR DUIS: Thank you.

SPEAKER: We have allowed that but the procedure is really not spelled out.

SENATOR DUIS: Thank you, then there is nothing further.

SPEAKER: Any further discussion on the motion. The question is shall the rule change be adopted, all those in favor vote aye, all those opposed vote no. Voting on the rule change on the adoption of the rule change as found on page 234 and as explained by Senator Duis. The Chair would advise you that it takes 25 votes to bind the body in a rules change, 30 votes excuse me, change the rules. Once again have you all voted?