

been picked up. Someone else had introduced the bill and picked it up and it got into the hands of a lobbyist and he was sitting on it uptown and I had promised these folks I'd introduce it and the two fellows were on a vacation. Now they come back and find I haven't introduced the bill, so I'm in rather a bad predicament. I'm hoping that the committee will introduce the bill when I bring it to them.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, if things are mislaid or picked up or not delivered or swiped or whatever the term might be, I want to make a statement about our Revenue Committee which is holding hearings in this room. There is no one that sits in a Senator's desk. They sit underneath the balcony behind the ropes and they come down the center aisle. I watch very carefully that no one, and I mean no one, uses any of the legislator's desk, so I wanted to make this point very clear that none of the things that are missing or misplaced or whatever term may be used is not the responsibility of us holding committee hearings in this room.

SPEAKER: Thanks, Senator Burbach. I know I speak for the body in thanking you for your consciousness of the need for security in this chamber. The chair recognizes Senator Kelly, then Senator Fred Carstens. Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, would chairman of the Rules Committee yield to a question.

SPEAKER: Would the chairman..yes. Senator Duis.

SENATOR KELLY: Senator Duis, would you explain to me what rules we have that would cover this situation that Senator Keyes had.

SENATOR DUIS: Thank you for the question. Fortunately, I have it here. I think, Senator Keyes, with your indulgence that this can be taken care of without the necessity of suspension of the Rules and I'm going to answer your question this way. I would hate to see this started because every one of us..I shouldn't say everyone of us..quite a number of us will find some reason to get a bill introduced, and I think we will find the Rule is on Page 23. It's Rule 5, Section 5, and all that's necessary here as I understand the Rules is that the one who wishes to have the bill introduced will take it to the Reference Committee and the Reference Committee will then assign it to a committee to see if they will introduce it and then it'll be sent back to the Reference Committee and they'll refer it. If..I don't believe you're going to meet with much resistance, Senator Keyes, at least, I would hope not.

SENATOR KELLY: Thank you, Senator Duis. It would be my suggestion. I would vote against the suspension of the Rules in that we have a procedure to handle this. Should following the Rules prove unsatisfactory, then I would support a suspension of the Rules.

SENATOR DUIS: This was going to be my suggestion, Senator Kelly, was that if Senator Keyes does not prevail in following this Rule, then bring it to us for the suspension of the Rule and I would presume that quite a number of us would be more than happy to help you then, but if we can avoid this, let's do it, please.

SPEAKER: The chair recognizes Senator Fred Carstens. Still speaking on Senator Keyes motion to suspend the Rules.

SENATOR FRED CARSTENS: I am going to pass.

SPEAKER: Alright, thank you, sir. Senator Keyes, we are back to you. What is your pleasure?