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that it is because many of the Senators of course transact other sorts of business in here and they are often involved in conversation, they often find it inconvenient to return to their seats, to vote on bills, and there are all sorts of distractions. You'll notice that twice this morning I've labored quite hard and I've left the vote open quite long in order to shall we say, give the Senators plenty of time to vote, I try awfully hard, as a matter of fact -

SENATOR SYAS: No criticism is intended -

SPEAKER: I realize that.

SENATOR SYAS: I'd like to, I think if the Senators are here, and we are short handed, it's a little bit different then when we are full forced, because this has taken a lot of time. the call of the house, to get 25 votes all morning, I mean it's just an unfair situation when there are 49 of us here, it's a little bit different.

SPEAKER: Thank you, Senator Duis, for what purpose do you rise?

SENATOR DUIS: Well I wanted to assist the Chair a little bit too, Senator Syas, all week long as a general rule we have calls from constituents and such that wishes to see departments, department heads and things like this which we don't get to do and it generally gets pretty well gummed up to the place where Friday is about the only morning that I and I know that quite a number of the other legislators can get to department heads and this is I'm afraid what happens too. That we are out trying to find out information before we go home on the week end because generally we don't go home but once a week and we like to get all this information before we do head back home to see our people, so it is difficult, I realize it.

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SPEAKER: On Tuesday February 20th for committee hearing of the Banking Insurance committee, that's the west chamber, are there any objections to the use of the chamber? On that date for a hearing, hearing none, so ordered. Were we down to LB 255? Senator Schmit do you want to, I'm sorry to interrupt you there, but do you want to give us some indication on their estimate on whether we have time to take up 255 or not? We're interested in some production if possible, -

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President, members of the legislature, I believe we have time, but I really don't have the votes, and I'd just as soon wait awhile.

SPEAKER: Well that's, I suppose you can always test the water, if it doesn't advance it sits there.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Okay, let's give it a whirl.

SPEAKER: Alright, the Clerk will read the title, LB 255.

CLERK: Title Read LB 255. There are committee amendments.

SPEAKER: There are committee amendments? Thank you. Now Senator Schmit do you want to take up the committee amendments?

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. Chairman and members of the legislature, I move the adoption of the committee amendments. The committee amendments and I could, if you want to go through them or if you would prefer I can explain them, they are rather lengthy but they are strictly a matter of terminology and perhaps I