

that we have made a decision for Easter vacation. We have made plans at home for that week. It is a little bit disturbing to change continuous what we have done sometimes a week before and sometimes a day before, but it is really disturbing when you have made plans thinking that we are doing what the majority of the body wants and then we come with a fast motion. I am...I'll be certainly willing to abide with any of the rules that are put forth by the body, but I did want to express that. I think we accomplished a lot more here last Friday than we have this morning. I am serious in my thoughts. I really think that we can take noncontroversial bills, which we have done, and we can succeed in doing what we are down here for and get home. Thank you.

SPEAKER: Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR MAHONEY: In order for the sake of the debate, I'll withdraw my motion and see how we do on this first one.

SPEAKER: Senator Mahoney is now asking unanimous consent to withdraw his amendment to the Carpenter motion. Is there any objections? If not, so ordered. Senator Clark.

SENATOR CLARK: Mr. Chairman, members of the body, I suppose the western end of the state is split on this because Senator Carpenter and myself both have businesses. We would like to get out there and take care of them the three days a week. We have many things that we have to do and the other two Senators, Senator Stull and Senator Whitney, do not have a retail businesses that they have to worry about. I think it would be a good thing down here if we could really spend four days a week and do something and get out of here. I think we keep the state in an uproar all the time we are here. I think we spend too long down here in the first place. We waste way too much time which I'm doing right now and I think we ought to get on with our business, but I think a four day week is plenty.

SPEAKER: Senator Kelly.

SENATOR KELLY: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, the conversation on this issue to me has pointed out the need to expedite LB 204, the district offices, where we want to get input from the people in our districts so that we can operate better down here and I believe we will get a lot more input than we will by spending Fridays in our district. We are down here to pass legislation. We don't have to be here 90 days. We just have to be here to get the work done and I believe that all of us are here at a sacrifice and a 5% more sacrifice to get this job done and correctly, I think the people should expect that from us.

SPEAKER: Senator Syas.

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