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statement I understood that he would not have voting rights. Is this correct?

SENATOR CARPENTER: That's correct.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Thank you.

SENATOR CARPENTER: He's there to observe and observe only. He can participate to the extent that the chairman of the committee of the committee might permit him to do it.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer, do you have input?

SENATOR KREMER: Now this may be incidental, but in this case on an interim study, does this ex officio member also have his mileage and his expenses paid the same as a membership of the committee? It's rather important, I think.

PRESIDENT: Does someone care to answer that?

SENATOR KREMER: Well, I was just going---

PRESIDENT: The transcriber will have difficulty acknowledging Senator Carpenter's shaking of his head here. Senator Duis.

SENATOR DUIS: Mr. President, yes, I would say that he would be an ex officio member which would grant him his mileage and his other expenses. The only other point I want to make here now is you've got a division of people. You have a person who introduced a resolution and he becomes an ex officio member of that committee if he isn't already a member of the committee so consequently in one instance he'd get the vote and in the other instance he wouldn't so I think you got a problem because if, you can ask to have your resolution sent to a committee of which you're a member if possible so you got a right to vote, otherwise if it's sent to a committee which you're not a member, you're just ex officio member so bear that in mind when you're voting.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Well, the way they suggested, the proposed amendment to the ru--or to, the proposed rule change now reads, it says, if not otherwise, Mr. Clerk, is that not true? So that if he is a member of the committee, he's a full voting member, but if he is not otherwise a member then he shall serve in ex officio capacity. I believe I'm right about that.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well I also want to bring up another thing that the Executive Council is not many times too hidebound in the manner in which they refer bills and I presume there is nothing really that's 100% certain that because of the generalization of the subject matter, it might go to one of a number of committees within the judgment of the Executive Council and that's another improbable nobody can answer. I can't speak for the committee but I know when we refer bills as well as resolutions we listen to those people who have opinions where it should go and I think that's the way it should be. This is--none of this is cut and dried; maybe dried but not cut.

PRESIDENT: Well we actually have before the body the Carpenter amendment to the Marsh amendment. Senator Syas, did you wish to be heard now on the Carpenter amendment here to the Marsh amendment?