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why then, take--let's take a vote and see how many will be here Friday. I prefer--I'll be here if there's 25 or 26 of you here, that's my kind of a day.

SPEAKER: Well, let's put the question. Now, the question as the chair understands is that we meet tomorrow at 9:00 a.m., take up noncontroversial bills and then at the end of the day we will reconvene at 10:00 a.m. Monday morning. Is that it, Senator Carpenter? All those in favor of Senator Carpenter's motion, vote aye, those opposed vote no. Have you all voted? I suppose the chair is subject to criticism but the chair rules that the majority in this body rules because this is not a binding action. You can overrule the chair if you've got the votes. Clerk will record.

CLERK: 24 ayes, 13 nays, 12 not voting.

SPEAKER: Senator Goodrich voting aye. Repeat the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 24 ayes, 13 nays...

SPEAKER: Did you get Senator Goodrich's vote? He just did.

CLERK: 25 ayes then, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Motion carries. Anything else on the Clerk's desk?

CLERK: Yes, Mr. President, notice of an Executive Session of the Judiciary Committee immediately upon adjournment today. Signed, Senator Luedtke. And Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent to be excused on Monday, April 16, signed Senator Waldron. That's all, Mr. President.

SPEAKER: So ordered. Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President, will the motion be repeated, there's some division of opinion as to what we just voted on.

SPEAKER: Well, chair will repeat the way he understands it. We will convene tomorrow morning at 9:00, we'll put in our regular day on noncontroversial bills and I'm hereby instructing the Clerk to instruct Jack Rodgers to make out the list subject to my approval and then we will convene Monday at 10:00 a.m. Now is that clear, Senator?

SENATOR WHITNEY: In other words, that skips Friday.

SPEAKER: That is correct. Senator Dickinson.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Mr. Speaker, may I ask a question of you?

SPEAKER: Yes, sir.

SENATOR DICKINSON: How do we determine and why do we determine noncontroversial bills on Thursday, pretty soon we'll be deciding that on Monday and we'll never get to the controversial ones discussed. We've been having--if we met on Friday of discussing noncontroversial bills and now we're down to Thursday, so what was the reasoning behind this?

SPEAKER: That was the way Senator Carpenter put the motion.

SENATOR DICKINSON: Well, I'll ask the question of Senator Carpenter if I may, please.

SPEAKER: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR DICKINSON: I probably missed some of the discussion