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but I think we have played around here, quite awhile and I think it is time we settle down to business. I'm a farmer and I'm anxious to get home and go to work. The same as every individual is here. He has his own business to take care of and if we keep putting these days offer, we are going to be further down the spring season and it is just another day later. I think that if we can possibly and I would make sacrifices to be here tomorrow and I'm sure others would too, but I think it is time we made a few sacrifices and attended these sessions as we are supposed to do and take care of the business that we have got. I think we need to meet 5 days a week and I think that we need to take care of this business so that we can get through. I'm objecting to this point and I can not dictate your wishes or your desires, but I think we better think seriously. Thank-you sir.

SPEAKER: Well, the chair suggests that we hear from who ever wants to speak. After all this is your legislature and then that we, I take up Senator Chambers motion. We'll decide it absolutely. Senator Stahmer, then Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR STAHMER: Mr. President, I just would like to point out. I have a relative in another town, that is sick that I need to visit tomorrow. I have a good personal reason for not being here and I respect very much what Senator Carsten said.

SPEAKER: What is your excuse Senator Mahoney?

SENATOR MAHONEY: No, Mr. President. I want to equal my colleagues word. If theres 31 of us and theres bills there that we can act on, I think we should be here and go ahead and take another legislative day. I can see no reason why that, Senator Stahmer, he has his relatives that are sick. That is fine and the other people have their excuses and I think this should be a 5 day week this week, we should have 5 days and not the 4.

SPEAKER: Isn't there a motion to adjourn, sign and die about the eleventh? Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. Chairman, I think we are all right. Two or three of us have five or six proxies for tomorrow, which we thought would get something done with.

SPEAKER: Senator Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: Members of the legislature, I'm kind at a loss of how to express myself here. Senator Carsten echoed my sentiments right down the line. I have never been absent only of Friday of this year, except when I was in Washington with another group of us that were gone, but I do of because of personal reasons, must be excused tomorrow, but I certainly don't like the idea of not meeting on Friday as Senator Carsten indicated. Many of us which is not his case, but it is a case of many of us, that must drive a long distance. Many of us are staying in hotels and if by not meeting on a Friday, we are prolonging the session another month, which is another 200, \$250. or what ever the rent may be. It is another additional trip of 5, 6, 7, 8, trips and each one of us who drive, must consider that as a cost to us, drive some, quite some distance. I am in a bad position this morning. I would like to see the legislature be in operation on Fridays, however I must be excused for personal reasons tomorrow. Things beyond my control that demand my attention at home.

SPEAKER: Does anybody else want to say anything? Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, I just made a telephone call and it will be possible for me to be here and I will be here.