

SENATOR MARVEL: Well, but, but--

SPEAKER: Certainly, Senator, the rules can be suspended, we can do anything we want.

SENATOR MARVEL: Okay, fine, then Senator Syas, in answer to your question, part of this has been discussed, part of it hasn't and I assume that if we settle who's going to introduce the bills, then I think we should discuss and see whether we couldn't hear them all this afternoon because the same people will be there to present testimony on behalf of the bills that would be there to present the testimony on the rest of them.

SPEAKER: Senator Carpenter, then Senator Whitney.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well under the rules, if I'm right, I'm going to object and demand a public hearing. We, we ought to have 5 days notice to give the Governor time enough to be there. It generally takes that long to get into any committee. This is his business, his responsibility. We got plenty of time. This is no time to rush it. Under the rules, if I'm in order, when it happens, I want a public hearing and a 5 day notice. I want these things amply discussed and I hope the Governor will find time to be there rather than send somebody else who don't know how to read his mind.

SPEAKER: Well Senator, that's the procedure we will follow unless there's a motion before the body to do otherwise. Bills will go to the Reference Committee and be referred, I presume to the Appropriations Committee. Senator Whitney.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. I have the Constitution before me and it says here the Governor shall present by message a complete, itemized budget of the financial requirements of all departments, institutions and agencies of the State and the budget bill to be introduced by the Speaker. Now I, it would appear to me that whether or not you have to sign it depends upon the ru--(mike off) of this Legislature and not the law. The rules of this Legislature (mike off) that who introduces a bill has (mike off), then that's up to this Legislature and I would not think it would be up to the Attorney General but you have to introduce this according to the Constitution of the State of Nebraska.

SPEAKER: Senator, I highly value your opinion, I really do but I am still going to leave this up to the Attorney General. Is there anything else on the Clerk's desk.

CLERK: There is still pending Senator Mahoney's request to put LB 545 at the top of general file.

SPEAKER: Yes, any objections to that?

SENATOR MAHONEY: I have one comment.

SPEAKER: Senator Mahoney.

SENATOR MAHONEY: There is a short bill Senator Luedtke has and I would ask the Legislature to place his bill which he will explain quickly, ahead of this bill on general file.

SPEAKER: Now Senator, we have a little, small procedural problem here when you, we have these various requests to place things at the top of general file. What I'm doing is taking these requests in order.

SENATOR MAHONEY: Let me explain--