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PRESIDENT: Alright, Senator Burbach.

SENATOR BURBACH: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. I don't think we have a choice of what we want to do in view of Senator Proud, our Speaker. I think our rules and the authority vested in the Speaker of the Legislature indicate that he sets out our schedule and the only way we can do this and I intend to, is to override the action of the Speaker but I think the Speaker is in full command, full authority in setting this out, but I for one, wish to override the Speaker or vote him down and offer a substitute plan, but I think at the moment, in respect to the Speaker in the Chair, the Speaker, we must recognize his wishes now, either with affirmative or negative vote.

PRESIDENT: Senator Fred Carstens has asked to speak next. We actually have before us now--

SENATOR CARSTENS: Mr. President and Members of the Legislature. I announced previously that I would offer a motion tomorrow to adjourn sine die. I have that motion prepared but in deference to the fact that it is not going to be healthy for the best interests of the State, I'm not going to offer this because we have to take action on the capital construction and these construction appropriation measures that have yet to be passed. We need these. We cannot operate properly without them and since it is impossible to adjourn tomorrow and take any action on those, I am not going to offer that motion.

PRESIDENT: Thank you Senator Carstens. Alright, now, do you want to discuss Senator Proud's plan and motion here any more? Are you all through decid--speaking on that-- Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President, Senator Burbach has sort of thrown a curve at us here. I wish you would tell us what you got in mind before I vote on Senator Proud's motion. I'd like to hear what you have to offer.

PRESIDENT: Senator Burbach, do you care to respond?

SENATOR BURBACH: Surely. I did not offer this because I think the question before us is Speaker Proud's idea and as Speaker he is within his rights and authority to assert himself, but what I was going to recommend is, we have 10 days left after today--9 after Friday and I think we'll be in session tomorrow, it's Friday. If, next Wednesday we'll have 8, Thursday 7, Friday 6, on Saturday, only a four-day work week, we'll have 5 left. On Monday we'll have 4, Tuesday 3, Wednesday 2 and Thursday 1 and then all we need is 5 calendar days, excluding Sunday for any overrides so we could have a session any time 5 days after a week from Thursday which could be the 30, the 31 or June 1, somewhere in that area and it wouldn't drag out to June 7th.

PRESIDENT: Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: I wonder if I could ask Senator Burbach, as I followed what you outlined. You're not allowing any time, are you for E&R and printing? As I understand the Speaker, the skipping days is purely for the mechanical operation of, of, the printing that has to be done together with the work in E&R so that they don't hurry something through and create an error that makes us look bad later on.

SENATOR BURBACH: Senator Warner, when I said Monday was 4 days left after Monday, we could be gone Monday and Tuesday