

SENATOR BARNETT: It isn't two different subjects, it is all in this amendment that he is talking about right now.

SENATOR WHITNEY: Well one subject is to take care of the Lt. Governor, and the other subject is to take care of the date at which the legislature convenes, that is two different subjects in my judgment. However I feel that before we spend time to put an amendment on this that we should consult the Attorney General.

SPEAKER: Senator Syas.

SENATOR SYAS: I suggest that you do one of two things, you either hold it or advance it and put it on on Select File. I think that we can do this all right, what you are contemplating. There is a bill in here to change the starting date which I favor. It is the third time that I have been called down here on New Year's Day, I think and I think that we are entitled to our holiday's like the general public. However, if you amend this I would like to have the bill drafter make the amendment because this is not like the statutory law, when you get something in the Constitution you had better have it worded correctly and I don't want any amendment just from the floor that might later prove to be in error. Now I might also suggest that I suppose that we could do this all right. Senator Whitney does have a point but I think that we can divide the thing on the ballot to A and B like we have in the past and get around that Senator Whitney, whether it is advisable to both of them in a constitutional amendment for the voter, that is a different thing, I don't know whether it is or not. But I think that we can do it by A and B you know we have down that before.

SPEAKER: Senator Hasebroock what is your pleasure?

SENATOR HASEBROOCK: I would like to Mr. President and Members advance the bill and then can't we do this on Select File?

SPEAKER: The Chair would rule that we can. Yes, we do need to adopt the committee amendments. Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: Mr. President, the question that I have then is it will take 25 votes at that time to approve the amendment on Select File, right? Then we should have 2 or 3 days or 4 days Vince before it be ready for amendment on Select? How many days do we have before it comes up on Select?

CLERK: It is quite possible that it could come up tomorrow.

SPEAKER: We can always hold the bill, I don't see a problem here myself.

SENATOR BARNETT: I don't want to object to advancing it, I'm just saying that if we can eliminate a second constitutional amendment and save the money it would cost to put it on the ballot, if we can do it all on one, I think that we should do it.

SPEAKER: I think Senator Barnett that your suggestion is well taken and I think that Senator Hasebroock has agreed to such an amendment if he feels that it is reasonable, and now the question is to adopt the committee amendments. Is that correct Senator Hasebroock? All those in favor of adopting the committee amendments say aye, those opposed say no. The amendments are adopted. Now Senator what will you do with the bill?

SENATOR HASEBROOCK: Mr. Chairman I move that the bill be advanced to E & R initial as amended.