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SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. President and members of the Legislature. Would you spell out to me then what we are talking about. Would you define the part that we are speaking to.

PRESIDENT: Yes, it's the second part of that particular rule change as found on page 118, which says that after dividing the question here that a four fifths majority of the members elected, no excuse me. Well the whole question is how many votes it takes to amend the rules.

SENATOR LEWIS: Well at any rate Mr. President I would .. I would like to support Senator Snyder. In this proposed rule change. I think that it is not in the best interests of this body or it is not in the best interest of good legislation to have the rules constantly changed and so flexible that they can be changed with a minimum of effort. And I have been critical of this in the past and I think that it is a good rule change and I certainly would support Senator Snyder in this.

PRESIDENT: Is there any further discussion of this particular part of the question. Then we will vote on this particular issue now. Senator Snyder do you have any closing on this particular part of the dividing question. The question is then in adopting this rule change shall a four fifths majority be required in order to adopt the rule change of the legislature. All those in favor of that issue vote aye. All those opposed vote no. You're voting on whether it should take a 4/5 majority to adopt a Rule change as proposed by Senator Snyder. Any rule change even though it is a divided question in the opinion of the chair will require 30 votes. Now have you all voted? The clerk will record.

CLERK: 20 ayes, 19 nays and 10 not voting.

PRESIDENT: The first part which would adopt the rules change by a 4/5 majority is defeated. We move to the second question which would require then a 4/5 majority. Senator Snyder follow me carefully. A 4/5 majority which would suspend or amend the rules. Do you wish to speak to that issue now again. Senator Snyder.

SENATOR SNYDER: I think that the body is aware of what we're voting on Mr. President. I think that anything that I have to say now would be superfluous so unless someone else has something to add or detract from the motion, I would call for the question.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The question is then. Are you in favor of this part of the Snyder rule change. All those in favor vote aye. All those opposed vote no. This is the part of the motion that would require a 4/5 majority to suspend or amend the rules. Once again. Have you all voted? This like the other motion would required a 4/5 majority. Once again have you all voted. The clerk will record.

CLERK: 22 ayes, 19 nays and 8 not voting, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Motion is lost. Do we have any other proposed rule changes on the desk.

CLERK: None Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Marvel did you wish to be recognized.