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introduce for someone to help them out and it's really not important to the state as a whole would take precedent over some of those that have been working their way up that are important.

PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Fred Carstens.

SENATOR FRED CARSTENS: Mr. President, I would like to ask Senator Proud a question if I may.

PRESIDENT: Does Speaker Proud yield?

SENATOR FRED CARSTENS: Senator Proud, Senator Waldron was just talking about, I have LB665 which is about, excluding the budget bill, is about fifth or sixth down and it's been there for about two weeks. Now, if we select 49 bills, I might end up 55th on the list.

SPEAKER PROUD: Now, is that your most important bill, do you feel?

SENATOR FRED CARSTENS: Well, I think it's the only one I have left.

SPEAKER PROUD: Well, yes, that's true, you might end up down the line and I've anticipated that which is the reason I don't suggest doing this before Wednesday and maybe at the start of next week to give those who are near the top an opportunity. But I don't know how else to do this. Now Senator Waldron had a good point. He's talking about somebody maybe having a piddling bill but on the other hand, what is a piddling bill? Any time you put your name to a bill, I assume you consider it important. What... a certain bill may be very important to one senator and immaterial to another. So I think it's impossible to say which are important bills and which are not. I think you have to use your own judgment on that.

PRESIDENT: Speaker Proud, I think you made an important point when you mentioned that you had tentatively taking, them however, in the order in which they appear on General File. That would eliminate some of those that might be afraid they'd drop to number 49 just as a point from the Chair.

SPEAKER PROUD: Yes, leaving them in their respective order. Yes, that should allay some...

PRESIDENT: Yes, that should allay some fear out there, it would seem to the Chair. Now, Senator Barnett.

SENATOR BARNETT: I wonder if Senator Proud would yield to a couple of questions.

PRESIDENT: I bet he will. Senator Proud, will you yield to another question? Speaker Proud, Senator Barnett has another question for you.

SPEAKER PROUD: Yes, yes.

SENATOR BARNETT: First of all, Senator Proud, would you have, still have your non-controversial day on Friday?