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of the other committees would adopt this rule. So I'll compromise on 25 instead of 30.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter, then Cavanaugh, then Marsh.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well, first I'd like to ask unanimous consent to withdraw the amendment and then I'll make another motion.

PRESIDENT: Are there objections to withdrawing the motion. Let me see here, I think Senator Duis....Senator Duis, didn't you make the motion? I don't want to get into a parliamentary.....

SENATOR CARPENTER: He only made it for me.

PRESIDENT: I realize that. Senator Duis, do you care to respond?

SENATOR DUIS: I....let me explain here. I think Senator Syas brought out a point and I did converse with Senator Syas that if we could only start as Senator Carpenter suggested to me and I made the amendment for him which is correct. If we could start from this particular position with just the appropriations bills, we can find out how it works. And if it's going to work at this 25, then we could have sufficient time in which to research the subject a little bit so that we might make a rule that is more encompassing than this. And I think that the suggestion that Senator Carpenter made to me, which I put into the form of an amendment, was excellent because what it does, it puts it very specific at the present time and we can find out how the vote situation works and then we'll be able to expand the rules from there and I thank Senator Carpenter for the amendment. And that's the reason I wondered if he would not withdraw it.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Out of courtesy, I will leave it and then I'll speak on the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Mr. President, I move the bill be indefinitely postponed, the rule. You see, this is the same approach every since I've been in the Legislature. As there's a relative few people in every legislative body by the way their very nature think it's a crime to spend any money. Now, you can look at the names of the budget committee and they are, so far, the only ones who have spoken for the rule. Now, if there was ever a can of worms in a legislative body, it's the budget committee. We've had to adjourn and recess in order to have them make up their minds. When they really had their mind up, why, Senator Stahmer, he changed his mind, he wanted to study it further. And he come up with the most beautiful amendment I've ever heard of, he changed the entire structure of the institutions....over night. Now, if you people want to tie yourself up in a knot, if you think you're not able to think for yourselves, if you want the budget committee which is not composed of anything but average people just like we all are, this is a good way to do it. Now, Senator Johnson says his intention was, it applied to every bill including