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your life. You want to cut that down to one minute for that citizen to tell his government what he needs to help run his life in a more manageable fashion? This is what Senator Newell is suggesting for the people in Nebraska, and the people should resent it and they should resent it out loud. This is a terrible procedure. Let's take a look at what Senator Koch is talking about and give the Committee on Committees some status, whereby they can have a slot, whereby we know what's going on, and address the problem. Now if Senator Newell is addressing a problem, he ought to state what the problem is, because we haven't heard it yet. Anything that we'll get from the Newell rule change you spell it Disaster with a capital D. The people in this state want to talk to their government, and this rule change will just ruin that, and it will do away with one of the most prestigious committees we have...that which has the closest bearing on the legislative oversight of the executive department of government, and we need on the Committee on Committees dedicated people, Senator Koch, dedicated people, and we're not going to get them by shattering the committee further. We're going to get them by giving some dedication to the Committee on Committees. Flunk Newell's flunky rule change, and let Senator Koch get some people together and put a good thought in place by giving the committee some status. Thank you for your consideration to vote no on this rule change.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Carsten, then Senator Chambers, and then Senator Cope. Senator Carsten.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I think we've really addressed, and I think Senator Kelly really addressed the question in this body, and if he wants to make some suggestions and recommendations to putting a slot for the committee to operate, then I think that's his privilege and a solution for us to consider. I would hope that he would make that. I also want to say this. He also addressed the real crux of the matter, and that's the introduction of bills. It has been a question in my mind for many years as you well know, and if we want to put a work load that's reasonable to the standing committees, let's get this bill introduction down. I don't hear any problem about people saying to me we don't want to come in...we have to come in too much. Now that's where the crux of it is. Let's do something with the bill introduction and put a limit on it that we can live with, and work with. Then your standing committees will have the time to visit with those people that have been appointed to the corresponding office with which these committees must work. Your standing committees are made up of