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PRESIDENT: All right, Senator Goodrich and then Senator Kelly want to comment on this I believe. Senator Goodrich. Simon too.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Would Senator Marvel yield to a couple of questions please?

PRESIDENT: Speaker Marvel, will you yield?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Thank you. Does this ruling apply then to 27 and 112 also since they are on the same agenda today?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes.

SENATOR GOODRICH: And, number two, are we going to make any exception for example, for...

SPEAKER MARVEL: Well I did make an exception for Senator Kremer who had an accident. I assumed that would be different than somebody who is either snowed in or late, but you point out the tough part of this Legislature trying to set up rules and regulations that will pertain to everybody and as near as I can I would like to have them pertain to everybody.

SENATOR GOODRICH: Well, I would agree that whatever we do it ought to pertain to everybody, however, when we have a bad weather situation which we frequently have in Nebraska and when we have physical illnesses or physical accidents, that sort of thing as a result of either of the weather or any other illness, that sort of thing, I am coming clean for us to interpret this thing liberally in such a way that we could make exceptions as a matter of courtesy to some of the Senators that just plain can not be here. It is not their fault they can not be here. It is just unfortunately they have got circumstances that prevent them from being here and I would suggest that we are going to rule the day that we make a hard and fast rule on this. We are going to wish, all of us are going to find this that were in this same position, and we are going to find that we wish we had some way of making exceptions to the rule. I would urge the body to, when they are considering Senator Marvel's ruling here, to consider that. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Why don't we proceed to follow up on it, Senator Goodrich, and then perhaps some others have some comments.