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look what I did, I went and voted to restrict the number of bills, because right now that's politically popular to say, and every politician is saying it, and the people are buying it because they just don't understand the legislative process. The fact of the matter is, is that when I put my name on a bill I'm accountable for that bill, and if I have a bill that's shaky, or one that I'm not so sure of, there's nothing I'd rather do than get a committee to introduce that for me, and that takes me off the hook, and I've got a couple of them that way, because maybe I just didn't have the guts to put my name on that bill, I looked for somebody to run the interference for me. And all this particular amendment's going to do is to encourage that kind of lack of accountability, and that's what the public, I think, is really concerned about as far as this body is concerned. I think this is a simplistic solution. It's a simplistic nonsolution. That's what it is. There's absolutely no reason why an intelligent human being needs this kind of artificial barrier to restrict thought, to restrict concepts, to restrict needs of his district, and of the people he represents and the people of the State of Nebraska. This is the only forum the people have in this state. We're not restricting ourselves. We're restricting those people we represent or purport to represent. Reduction of the time period only complicates the problem. What are we going to do if we reduce the time period from ten days to five days? We're going to hurriedly put in a bunch of crap that hasn't been thawed out and hasn't been worked out. That's going to be the end result. How many bills now are there laying around in committees which are just vehicles...vehicles that maybe need to be used if a good idea comes out in the future, and there's a lot of them and there's a lot of people in this body know that. Bills that absolutely do not stand, or cannot stand the light of day, and those bills are only there to be able to use that vehicle to put together an idea, or put forth an idea that's been put together later. The answer is no restriction on the individual. The answer is serious restrictions on the committee. The answer isn't curtailing time periods. The answer is to expand the time periods to give these members, or ourselves, the time to carefully put together legislation, rather than hurriedly put it together, and with the idea that we'll straighten it out in the future. We know it's wrong now, we haven't had the time, we're under a ten day limitation pressure, and now being purported that we go to a five day limitation period, we're only compounding the problem. We're only compounding the problem, and I think the whole problem stems from the fact that we're working under a sixty day deadline and a thirty day deadline, or a ninety day deadline and a...

SENATOR NICHOL: One minute, please.