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Would all members register their presence? While we are waiting for all members to register their presence, the Chair would like to introduce from Senator Schmit's District 30 fourth grade students from Valparaiso, Nebraska, Raymond Central School, Mrs. Sterns is the teacher. They are here in the South balcony. Would they stand up and be recognized? From Valparaiso, Raymond Central. Welcome to your Legislature. Only two are excused, I am told. Senator Koch, Senator Keyes, Senator Kelly. Senator Kelly is here. Senator Marvel is here. Senator Venditte. Senator Murphy. Senator Schmit is here but he hasn't registered.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, then in the interim, you will take call in votes. We don't need that many but I need five.

PRESIDENT: Senator George is not here yet. Senator George, Senator Venditte and Senator Murphy. The House is under Call. The Sergeant at Arms. Senator Newell.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. President, could I ask a question of the Speaker if I could?

PRESIDENT: You may ask if the Speaker wants to respond. Speaker Marvel, this is as good a time as not while we are waiting.

SENATOR NEWELL: Mr. Speaker, the question I have is will these bills come up again if they are not acted upon today? Are you going to put them on special order at some other time?

SPEAKER MARVEL: I don't know. I honestly can't answer it because we have to daily take a look at the workload and I am deluged from every spot for people that want to take up Final Reading, Select File and General File and I honestly, the only answer I can give you is I don't know but it is my intention to the best of my ability and with cooperation from the Legislature to take up as many bills that are now off of General File and try to follow them through as we can and that is why I try to start, like this morning, try to start things at 8:30 a.m. and try to push constantly because the more I push the better chance you have. Let's put it that way, but if my pushing doesn't do any good, there isn't really much I can do about it but I am pledged to try to get every bill that is now off of General File processed through.

PRESIDENT: Senator Frank Lewis, did you wish to....

SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. President, I must have had a misunderstanding with the Speaker. I understood that this was it for these bills for this year.