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PRESIDENT: The motion to amend is adopted. There is another amendment on the desk, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Yes, sir, there is. Senator Warner now moves to amend, Mr. President. (Read Warner amendment found on page 128 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, as I understand the rule change now applies to both the sessions, even and odd numbered years and I assume, since it is one week and as a practical matter we are taking care of that in an even number of session and in any event, there always will be carry over bills I assume, to handle during that waiting period while bills are being printed plus, it seems to me that if there are some advantages of getting out in an even numbered year earlier in April and as early before May as possible, at least for half the body and because of those reasons and no need for the delay because the Legislature does have work to do in even numbered years that the rule ought to be limited to that, odd numbered years only. That is the intended effect of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Kahle, speaking to the Warner amendment.

SENATOR KAHLE: Mr. President, members of the body, I had my light on a bit ago and didn't push the red button because I wanted to say exactly what Senator Warner has said. I believe that would be a fair answer to our problem because I can't see any reason why we should be going home this year for instance when we have a group of bills already to go. The first part of the session in the uneven years I can see that we do have problems of having time to develop the bills to the point where we can debate them on the floor. So I certainly support Senator Warner and I think this would be palatable to me and I hope to some of the other senators outstate. The only other alternative might be if we got at least one more trip paid for back to Lincoln. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Nichol, speaking to the Warner amendment.

SENATOR NICHOL: Mr. Chairman, members of the Legislature, I would support Senator Warner's amendment. I still don't support the change in the rules because as I recall back