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take up the Beutler amendment to Rule 7.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are on page 7, Rule 7, Section 4. The Clerk has an amendment on the desk. The Clerk will read.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Beutler moves to amend to the proposed rule change: Read Beutler amendment found on page 133, Legislative Journal.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, the basic change is, of course, the reference to Rule 1, Section 12 in the override. Rule 1, Section 12 states in effect that in the event of a challenge to the Chair the ruling shall be restated and the question shall be phrased "Shall the Chair be overruled?" A majority of those present, a majority of those present shall be required to overrule the Chair, and what we have done with this amendment is to make clear that the overruling procedure contained in Rule 1, Section 12 will pertain now to the rule that we are amending. So, therefore, if the Legislature feels that the Speaker is abusing his power and allowing the debate to go on in the manner of a filibuster, then the recourse would be to the same recourse we have now with regard to overruling a Speaker's decision. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Is there other discussion on the Beutler amendment to Rule 7, Section 4, page 7? Is there any other discussion? Are you ready for the question? The motion is the adoption of the Beutler amendment to Rule 7, Section 4. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. Okay, record the vote.

CLERK: 32 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the amendment, Mr. President.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Beutler amendment is adopted. Are there other amendments to this rule change?

CLERK: No, sir, there are not.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The Chair recognizes Senator Fowler.

SENATOR FOWLER: I move its adoption as amended.

SPEAKER MARVEL: The motion is the adoption of the rule as amended. Any further discussion? All those in favor vote aye, opposed no. Have you all voted? Clerk, record the vote.