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I am not in favor of giving the Executive Board veto power over what a legislative committee conducting an investigation feels that it should do.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Before we proceed, it is my privilege to introduce sitting underneath the South balcony Mike and Ann Boyle from Senator Hoagland's District. Mike is the former Election Commissioner, Douglas County, and the present Executive Director of the Nebraska Broadcasters Association. Ann is a member of Senator Exon's staff in Omaha. Will you please step out and raise your hand so we can say "hello"? Senator Beutler, are you ready to close? I think I would alert the Legislature when we finish this item I think we will adjourn. Sorry, okay, we have one more item. Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker, members of the Legislature, am I closing, is that correct?

SPEAKER MARVEL: Yes, sir.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Just a brief comment with regard to Senator Chambers' remarks. The technical problem I don't think is a great one although I haven't had a chance to discuss it with either one of them in detail yet obviously, but I think the main question is the question of philosophy that he raises and either you feel one way or you feel the other about it, I suppose. Under the rules, under this proposed rule, the Executive Board would act as a check to some extent on the power of the committee in this important function of issuing a subpoena. As Senator Chambers would have it as I understand it, he wants no check on this important function but would rather have the committees simply do it themselves at will. Now I think on an important potentially dangerous even instrument such as this it is important to have an additional check. Now you can make your own decision about that. Thank you.

SPEAKER MARVEL: We are voting on the amendment, Rule 3, Section 19, which begins on the bottom of page 23, the first day's Journal, January 7, 1981. All those in favor of the adoption of the proposed rule change as explained by Senator Beutler vote aye, opposed vote no. Have you all voted? Have you all voted? Record the vote.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 7 nays on adoption of Senator Beutler's motion.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, the motion is carried. The amendment is adopted. Now, Senator...the Clerk has a couple of items and then we will refer to you.