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SPEAKER MARVEL: Are there amendments to the motion on the Clerk's desk?

CLERK: Mr. President, I have a series of amendments to the motion to adopt permanent rules all of which as I understand it are being offered by the Rules Committee.

SPEAKER MARVEL: Okay, Senator Wesely, do you wish to explain your presentation.

SENATOR WESELY: Yes.

SPEAKER MARVEL: How do you intend to approach this?

SENATOR WESELY: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, I have passed out on each desk a copy of the Rules report. If you don't have a copy, if you have lost it, you can come by, I have got some extras here. I also passed those out last evening so that you had a chance to see them before we started today. What I am proposing though are 17 rule changes that have been adopted and advanced by the Rules Committee. We have had hearings on each and every one of these. Because we have tried to diminish as much as possible debate concerning the rules, we have grouped these into five different motions. The first motion to amend the rules would consist of the rules under that handout that you have, number one through thirteen. So we will be considering the first motion. I would move rule changes number one through thirteen. Then after those are considered and adopted, I will move rule fourteen and after that is taken care of, rule fifteen, and after that rule sixteen, and after that rule seventeen. So the last four rule changes on that handout which you should have on your desk will all be considered individually, but the first set of rule changes, one through thirteen, will be considered collectively. That is the motion I make at this time. If you wish to divide the question, if any of those thirteen rule changes are of concern to you, you can move to divide the question and separate out that individual rule change. But I would hope we could consider these together and adopt them as quickly as possible so that we don't take too much time on debate. Now with that motion to adopt one through thirteen, I will very quickly go through those to try and explain them to you and then open it up for discussion. The first rule change is from Senator Vickers and this concerns reconsideration. It was a problem in the past where a bill may come up and then before it has failed three times on General File, for instance, a motion to reconsider will be put up. Well that means that if you have reconsideration after every time it is brought up on