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bring before you this morning is one that I thought about for quite some time that because of the fact that this body a couple of years ago changed the procedure as it relates to our setting the tax rates, that it seemed to me that because we have a special provision on our bills in our rules for the appropriations bill, the appropriations bills, that is to give us, the Legislature, since it is our responsibility, time to respond to any veto that we might get from the Executive Branch, the rules say that appropriations bills must be passed on Final Reading by the 80th day in a 90-day session and by the 50th day in a 60-day session, and the purpose of that is to give us time, obviously, to respond to any veto and for us to accept the responsibility we have got as far as appropriations. The rule that I am suggesting to you is that our tax rate setting bill should follow the same mechanism, that is that we should put in the rules a statement to the effect that our tax rate setting bill should be passed on Final Reading by the 85th day of a 90-day session and by the 55th day of a 60-day session.

PRESIDENT: Senator Vickers, excuse me. Could we have order in the Chamber, please. (Gavel.) I am not sure that Senator Vickers is being heard. Go ahead.

SENATOR VICKERS: Thank you, Mr. President. And the purpose of this, of course, is to give us the five days, once the appropriations bills are passed, to determine whether or not they are going to be vetoed, whether or not we are going to be hopefully successful or unsuccessful, whatever the case may be in our attempts to override those and then to give us the five days again on our tax rate setting bill so that the Legislature, since it is our responsibility, will be in a position, through our rules, to make certain that we accept that responsibility. That is my suggestion in this rules change, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. Speaker and members of the body, Senator Vickers visited with me about the proposed rule change. I don't see any objectionable features to the change. Senator Vickers simply says that the Nebraska Legislature must pass revenue rate measures no later than the 85th day on a 90-day session, or no later than the 55th day on a 60-day session. Obviously, the purpose of that particular rule is simply to make certain that we get our