

basis of anybody's particular interest. So I do object to any assertion that that is the case. As those of you who have been around a long time know, there is much overlap, conceptually, between different committees. The Judiciary Committee, what does that deal with? It has traditionally dealt with many, many matters concerned with legal technicalities and law. The Public Health Committee, obviously, deals with law too. There is a gray area there. There is a gray area between a great many committees. There always has been and there always will. At some point in time we're going to try to define some of the substantial gray areas so that there is a firmer tradition established, define it in writing so that we have a book of precedents on our referencing. But I think that this particular bill that we are talking about is a gray area bill. I did not deny, for a moment, that tradition in the sense of returning one kind of bill to the same committee, over time, is generally an important consideration. But I suggest to you, on these gray area bills, that you would want the Executive Committee to consider some other things. The other things that you would want, I hope, the Executive Committee to consider is, what are the workloads on these different committees? I would think that you would want us to take into consideration whether it is a two-day committee and whether it is a three-day committee, and whether it is staffed with one committee counsel, or a half a committee counsel, or two committee counsel, and what is the relationship of the number of bills that they have to that whole structure that we have in place. I think it is very important that we do that with the gray area bills because that is the way we get people working efficiently. I passed out to you, this morning, a little sheet that has all of the bills referenced to date. Over on the left hand side I made two little asterisks on all the two-day committees. I omitted to put the asterisks by the Miscellaneous Subjects Committee. There should be two asterisks beside that committee too. Now if you glance at those two-day committees, and look at the number of bills that each one has, you will see that Public Health Committee, which is one of those that we are dealing with today, is about in the middle of the two-day committees. It has a fairly good workload, not too large, not too small, relatively speaking. Then glance at the committees that have three asterisks, one is Revenue and the other is Public Works. That means those are three-day committees. Then there is Judiciary, which I've put four asterisks by. It is a three-day committee, but the reason I