

that is we would meet for a longer period but that could be determined later. The flexibility to do that would be there. There is another thing that has bothered me since we changed the method of setting tax rates to be within the Legislature and particularly on income tax. If it is going to be adjusted, I much prefer that it would be adjusted before the calendar year started if that was going to be necessary. And I can see that being a big convenience to a lot of people if they didn't have a midyear change. I am not sure that would happen but the opportunity for it seems to me to make sense. But particularly I think it would be helpful if several bills, if not most of them, were introduced it would be a good opportunity to go around and visit with people on them and I think that all would be beneficial. I am usually very hesitant to support change of a system that I am accustomed to, but in this case in having thought about it for a while I think we should not kill this measure at this point and keep it alive a while.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Beutler, did you wish to speak about the kill motion?

SENATOR BEUTLER: Yes.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Mr. Speaker and members of the Legislature, just a few points I would like to make, if I may, with regard to the kill motion. I support the bill, obviously, and do not support the kill motion. The first point I would like to make is I guess these are experiences I am having now with regard to the administration of the Legislature, room assignments and staff assignments. I think you all understand that that goes on... obviously, you understand that that goes on at the beginning of every two-year period and that is the period of time that we are talking about in this particular bill. And one of the things I am seeing is that there is a great deal of disruption in the work patterns of the senators those first few weeks because of the all of the dickering around on both room assignments and staff assignments. And in particular with regard to the new senators I would think you would be interested in this bill because in terms of new legislation that is being presented to you, it is not going to make much difference whether there is X plus 15 days after your election or X plus 30, you are not going to be much involved