

to happen? How is it all going to work? And I can tell you this, it is going to work however the Legislature wants it to work. I have faith in this institution and this body. Given the authority to meet earlier, they will determine what is in their best interest efficiencywise and effectivenesswise. And I have faith in those people down in the years that they will take one day if that is what is best or they will take ten days if that is what is best. But let them decide that when they have the opportunity to. But one thing is for sure, meeting in January is a waste of time. We waste the whole month of January. We really have accomplished almost nothing through that whole period of time. Now we are into February. We are about almost a quarter of the way through this session and have little to show for it. I think that is wasting our time. I know some of you have said, well, this will be more bills. I don't think it means anything in terms of more bills or less bills. All it is talking about is how we use the time to deal with the bills. The question of how many bills are introduced is totally superfluous in my mind. That is a question that is resolved by each individual senator and by the rules we adopt to limit or not limit bills. This is only a question of how we utilize our time and how our calendar is put together. And I want to emphasize one other thing. The December meeting date will only be after the election year. It will not be a December meeting date for the short session. We will still be meeting in January in the short session. There is no reason not to change that because we come in in January and start right in and get to work. The problem has always been in the long session after the election and this only affects...

SPEAKER NICHOL: One minute.

SENATOR WESELY: ...that session. It does not affect the other session. We are not going to be coming down in December every year. It will be every other year and it will be only for the length of time that the Legislature themselves determines. It is giving the power and authority to this Legislature to use their own time as effectively as possible. Now Senator Vickers and Senator Lundy and others have come to me with ideas. I am really ready to work with them on it. I ask your support now to advance the bill to Select File. It is a very important measure for improving the efficiency of this body and your support is much appreciated.