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PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator Morehead.

SENATOR MOREHEAD: Again, Mr. President and members of the body, I do think it's important to adopt this particular rules change. It makes us look a little foolish to have a rule in our own book that we do not comply with, that in fact serves only for the political rhetoric which is involved. I do think it is very important that we discuss the budget, but I know that there are ample opportunities to do that and it would behoove those experienced members of the Legislature to keep that ever in front of us as we go down this legislative path. But I think that this particular rule change does not implement that so I would suggest that we do remove this section of our rules which serves no practical purpose. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: The motion is to adopt the rule change that has been under discussion. All those in favor...Senator Warner, do you wish any further closing? All those in favor of the rule change that has been under discussion vote aye, opposed vote no. Thirty votes required for this rule change. Members of the Legislature in the Chamber and outside the Chamber, I would like to alert you to the fact that we are discussing an important rule change and voting on it. We're voting on a rule change, would like to have your attention and have you record your vote. Have you all voted? The Clerk will record the vote.

CLERK: 31 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the proposed rules change, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: A sufficient majority having voted in the affirmative, the rule change is made. The Chair has an assignment to perform now if I might have your attention, dubious though it may be, to award a certificate of recognition to Senator DeCamp instigated by Senator Peter Hoagland, although you can't read his writing, Speaker Nichol, and signed by the Clerk, in recognition to Senator DeCamp of having achieved the dubious distinction of being recognized by the Omaha World Herald on two successive weekends with editorial columns on February 17, 1985. Now if that makes you...cheer you up, John, I also have notice that the new weight scale that you have ordered is in place in the cloak room ready for use and if you don't break it, I will.