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Will the following members please come to the Chamber and record their presence: Senator Schmit, Rod Johnson, Bernice Labeledz, Ernie Chambers, Senator Rod Johnson. No member is excused at the present time and we believe we'll have a full complement here shortly. The Chair recognizes the Speaker.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, if I could have your attention just a moment, please. All of you, if I could have your attention, please, all of you, if I could have your attention, please.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel.)

SPEAKER NICHOL: Ladies and gentlemen, please let me have your attention for just a moment. You'll notice we have new microphones and for some of you, you stand up close and talk very loud and it gives the rest of us a headache. For others of you, you talk and stand back so far that we can't hardly hear you. So I ask each of you to, the first time or two that you talk, please adjust yourself accordingly to the distance to the microphone and the loudness with which you speak so that it is comfortable for the rest of us. It is impossible, I understand it, of the new system to monitor each of us from the desk up front and we will all appreciate it and you will appreciate it if you learn how to do that. As a senator, this is one of the things that reflects on you as being a great statesman so that you can reflect meritoriously on the rest of us across the state and we won't need the rule to say that you're acting improperly. So I just ask you for your cooperation in learning how to use your microphone in a good way. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Labeledz, would you record your presence, and, Senator Ernie Chambers, the house is under call, Senator Chambers, if you would come to the Legislature, please. Senator Morehead, do you want to proceed without...on the discussion?

SENATOR MOREHEAD: I would like just the opportunity to clarify or have the Clerk clarify what the issue is before us that we're voting upon.

PRESIDENT: The Clerk will read the proposed rule change or whatever you have before you.

CLERK: Mr. President, this is the proposed rule change that