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lots of different reasons, it seems clear to me that bill limits do not work. They don't actually accomplish anything. They are for show and that is about it. In the end when we did take off bill limits, the world didn't end. We didn't have that many more bills introduced, a few more now, but I think that is not because the bill limits are gone, it is because problems are greater and problems result in legislation. We don't introduce bills because something is going good. We introduce bills because something is going bad and things are not going so good right now in this state, and so we have bills to deal with those problems. In good times, you won't see as much legislation. So to stop now is especially bad as we try to confront the different issues facing our state. So for all those reasons I would suggest that bill limits are a bad idea and support opposition to this amendment and suggest that we move on with other subjects.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Abboud, then Senator Marsh.

SENATOR ABOUD: Mr. President, colleagues, I think we have had a pretty good discussion of bill limitations. That wasn't really my intent when I placed this amendment onto Senator Vard Johnson's amendment onto the rules. I think in discussing this whole...my amendment onto Senator Vard Johnson's amendment you have to understand that whether we are going to have a limitation on the amount of bills that can be introduced is something that this body is going to have to decide. But then there is also a second question, what type of limitation are we going to have? I don't know if you have glanced through these in the Journal, Senator Johnson's proposal. It is a pretty complicated, pretty complicated proposal, and we may have to have our own legal counsels in each committee decide what exactly it does mean, but in looking through Section 4 we find that each committee is going to have to make a decision on whether these bills are good enough for the committee to hear. So prior to the public hearing, they are going to be taking straw polls to determine whether the committee even wants to hear the bill, and then at the bottom there in Section 6, it says that there will be a limit on the amount of bills that can be put out. I believe for a three day Standing Committee such as Judiciary, we would be limited to no more than 15 bills that we could put out. Well, my experience in the body has been that some committees have bills that are important in particular years and other committees don't have quite such