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was intended to be one session only. It was intended because we had that Constitution Revision Commission. I've forgotten the number of bills but there was probably 40 or 50, many of them, plus we had three members of the Legislature who served on that Constitution Revision Commission, all of whom were on other Standing Committees, and we wanted to provide an opportunity for those individuals who had sat through the commission to be on the legislative committee that was dealing with them so that those senators not a part of the commission had an opportunity for input. And as things go, once established like taxes, committees are hard to dispose of so it stayed around, it served a purpose. I'm not getting into that argument. I do want to mention the work load. We've talked a lot about work load, but I would suggest to you that the issue of work load correctly initiated the discussion but I don't think it was what was really talked about during the discussions that I heard. It was what is a more logical combination of committees and subject matters to address issues where they are interrelated. And again, what I really like about the system that is proposed, it gives those senators who come in two options very nicely. If you have Ag and Environmental Affairs...and Environment for one subject, you know by the very facts of things there are a whole host of other related issues that would be in Public Works that also has an agricultural interest. What I like about the new system, you tend to have a single interest. You could be on Natural Resources and Urban Affairs or you could be on Natural Resources and Ag. There is a very natural relationship there that provides that opportunity. Or you can do as I did when I first came in. I purposely selected diverse committees. I didn't want to have to deal with the same subject every day or related subjects. I wanted a broader picture and that opportunity is provided with this arrangement as well. So, to me, the change is logical. The change provides a lot of individual opportunity for senators to concentrate in related areas or to work in diverse areas, whichever their preference might be, and I'd hope you would retain the system that has been established and recognize it as what it was intended to be, to provide a better opportunity to deal with issues than somewhat is the case under our current system.

PRESIDENT: Senator Higgins. Senator Higgins.

SENATOR HIGGINS: Thank you, Mr. President. I have been