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be available for consideration in the event that any of them become necessary to implement a budget reduction. As we all know as things now stand, there is a significant gap between projected revenue and potential appropriations, and the purpose is not whether or not the bills will be introduced, if you choose not to allow the committee to introduce them, obviously we will have to introduce them individually in order to get them into the process but we could preserve the process if it is understood that it is a part of the appropriation process to consider a variety of existing programs. And we would appreciate it if you would suspend the rules so that we could present the bills on that basis, and not at this point argue about the merits of any one of them. That opportunity would be for each Standing Committee that would have the bills referenced and I anticipate the vast majority, if not all of the bills would be referred to the appropriate Standing Committee and not to the Appropriations Committee. There might be one or two that could conceivably go to Appropriations. But I would ask the rule be suspended so that we could put it into process the ability to consider these items. All of them are bills which, in other words, there would be an adjustment in appropriations, either require substantive change in law or substantive law ought to be considered and repealed if the appropriation is to be taken away. So we request that you allow us to use the process through the suspension of the rule to introduce the whole number and I think there is 27 or 28 bills.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Okay, thank you. Senator Cal Carsten, please.

SENATOR CARSTEN: Mr. President and members of the Legislature, I certainly rise to support the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee in this move to suspend the rules and we need to...I don't think we can overly emphasize the fact that we are only doing this on the process basis, not the content of the bill, but only in preparation and in need of what may be coming down the line. It is only in those areas where a statute change does need to be made, and in the event we see fit to do it, then this legislation will be necessary. So I urge you to support the Chairman of the Appropriations Committee and let us suspend the rules and do this. Thank you.

SENATOR WARNER: Thank you. Senator Eret, please