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this is the way you go around passing laws in the Legislature. I don't think this is the type of thing that we should be doing especially on election year. You go back and tell your constituents that we just whole hog, just go ahead and vote on everything on the list. I don't think this is the way you pass legislation in this state. I don't think it is a good attitude to be having and I strongly oppose this type of tactic to get legislation passed in a quick manner.

PRESIDENT: Senator Vard Johnson.

SENATOR V. JOHNSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature, after Senator Chambers came to me much earlier this morning and indicated what he wanted to do, I took the time to go through each of these bills that are on his list, and as far as I was concerned, almost all of the bills on his list were bills that would not be subject to any great public discourse or debate. I could not take any offense in the procedure that he was adopting. I know that those particular measures that people might have disagreements with will be fairly and fully debated on Select File, and then again, if necessary, on Final Reading. I do not think this offends our system. I do not feel as though even in an election year this is an improper practice. This is a way that the Legislature sometimes has to operate to expedite the process because it has gotten bogged down on other bills.

PRESIDENT: Senator Vickers.

SENATOR VICKERS: Mr. President and members, I, too, urge the adoption of this rules change and I would point out to you...to several of you that there are some bills on here that have a financial impact to the state on the positive side. Some of the bills toward the bottom of the list that came out of the Education Committee are going to put in some ways to help, hopefully, put in a mechanism so that we don't have to expend any funds this year, or set in a mechanism so that we can perhaps reduce the number of the funds that we are required to have in future years. So it would seem to me that this would be a wise and prudent use of our time to do this, and to answer Senator Abboud's concern, there are two more stages of action that each one of these bills have to take.