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SENATOR : Mr. President, members of the legislature, I am speaking this morning in behalf of the speaker who has just announced that he will be on the Chair this morning. There have been a lot of comments and suggestions about the calendar that we should pursue during these last 8 days, trying to determine what would be the most effective way to use those last 8 days. According to the rules the Speaker has consulted with the Executive Board we have visited about this matter not only among ourselves but with many members of the legislature and the consensus seems to be and this certainly isn't unanimous but at least this seems to be the feeling of your executive board that we proceed in a regular fashion right on through until at least March 28th, which would be the 59th day and then reserve the possibility of recessing until after Easter and coming back for the 60th day. Now I am indicating this to you not that this is exactly what will happen but it is something that you had better think about and then within the next day or so we are going to have to make a definite decision. But at the present time we are suggesting that we proceed right on through possibly through the 60th day, at least through the 59th day and then see where we stand and then discuss the matter at that time as to whether we want to recess and come back for one day after easter. The purpose of course for that would be to finish up any of the odds and ends that we have left and also there might be the possibility that we would have to try to override a veto of the Governor in some particular issue. I just call that to your attention. You might think about it and then if you have any suggestions that you feel strongly about this matter one way or the other, I wish you would contact me or Senator Mahoney, Senator Stull, Senator Proud or Senator Hasebroock and we will certainly be glad to have your comment.

PRESIDENT: Thank you Senator Swanson.

CLERK: Read corrections for the Journal.

PRESIDENT: Are there any further corrections for the Journal before us? Hearing none, so ordered. Notice of committee hearings? Bills on Final Reading. Bills on Final Reading, will the Senators be seated. We are about ready. First bill up for Final Reading will be 864.

CLERK: Read

CLERK: Mr. President, I move to return LB619 to Select File for a specific amendment. Signed Senator Lewis.

PRESIDENT: Senator Lewis.

SENATOR LEWIS: Mr. Speaker members of the legislature, I am under quite a bit of fire back here, if you wait a moment until I regain my composure

PRESIDENT: We will give you a little bit of time Senator.

SENATOR LEWIS: I'm under a little bit of fire being a party to the dove and dogs business I guess, but I would