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Legislature. It's just that I see this committee going in another direction, in a direction that really can be vibrant and living and do a lot for our Legislature at a low cost. So with that I would certainly appreciate your vote for this chairmanship. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Ashford. Are there further nominations? Are there further nominations? Are there further nominations?

SENATOR HALL: Madam President, I'd move the nominations be closed.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Hall. You've heard the motion to close nominations. All those in favor please say aye. Opposed nay. Motion is carried. Nominations cease and we will proceed with the balloting. Would the following senators please come forward to serve on the Teller Committee--Senators Will, Senator Hall and Senator Crosby. I might have the senators' attention, please. The results of the balloting is Senator Elmer 19 votes, Senator Ashford 25 votes. Congratulations to Senator Ashford as the new committee Chair. Now proceed with nominations for the Rules Committee. Senator Will.

SENATOR WILL: Madam President, members of the body, I rise to place my name in nomination for the chairmanship of the Rules Committee. I think that often the procedures and organization that we go through by our rules are taken for granted by all of us here in the legislative body, but as the veteran senators know and as the new senators will soon find out rules have a way of becoming the focal point of debate and of what we're doing at the strangest times so I think it's vital that we have good rules in place that allow for a procedure that gives everyone a fair shake and that allows for an organization that allows us to represent our areas fairly. I would pledge to you that as Rules Chairman I would work to have the best set of rules available, rules that quite simply give us all a fair chance to pursue the goals that we enunciated when we got elected to this body and that provide for an organization that is fair to all parts of the state and all of us here in the body. With that I would ask for your support for the chairmanship of the Rules Committee.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Will. Are there further nominations? Are there further nominations? Are there further nominations? Senator Hall.