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that, but would not diminish the power of the Committee on Committees, who, after all, are those people that we choose to make committee assignments, and I think had that process been in place this time, we may not have had these feelings spilling off onto the floor. We may have been able to accomplish things that may not have got escalated to the point that it is now, but I think I commend Senators Coordsen and Robinson for suggesting that, and I hope Senator Will, who is the new Chair of the Rules Committee, would take that under consideration. I think with this, if nothing else, this brings to light the fact that we need once again to take a look at how we make committee assignments. As I pointed out a number of times, I think this is by far a more democratic process used here in Nebraska than most states use. Most states have the Speaker make the appointments, and I am sure those of us who have full faith and trust in our Speaker would feel comfortable with that, but probably the other 47 wouldn't particularly like that arrangement. So we do need to consider the changes in this and I would urge our Rules Committee to consider some changes.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, I think. Senator Bohlke.

SENATOR BOHLKE: Mr. President, members, I would like to point out to you, who may not have noticed, a very serious concern, and I did speak to Senator Pirsch before speaking here to indicate that, that my purpose, as she would know, certainly is not to punish Pirsch. But she pointed out what we did would have an extraordinary action. I would like to suggest the extraordinary action that would happen by this trade is that western Nebraska would have no representation on the Judiciary Committee, no one west, essentially, of Lincoln would be on the Judiciary Committee. I think that is very serious, something we need that needs to be highlighted to all of you, and for that reason, I strongly object to effecting that trade and support the Committee on Committees recommendation.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Bohlke. Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: I agree that changes obviously need to be made and I hope to help with those. The question that keeps going through my mind is why two changes and not all three. So, obviously, we are not basing this on the change itself and finding no objection to those changes, it must be some other type of criteria. Maybe at some point, someone can explain that to me, possibly some representation issue. As a new senator,