

dealt with the ag land valuation problems, where they just did it all in one vote. They came back and suspended the rules to do that. The Coordinating Commission would not exist today had we not suspended the rules and did what we are doing here. I suggest to you that this doesn't tear the process apart. In fact, this morning we suspended the rules to allow the reading of bills on Final Reading, which you could do the same...the same argument, that towards the end of the session, if you suspend those rules, we do that on a routine basis. This I don't think will cause the system, if you do it on everyone or you do it on constitutional amendments, and say, look, you need a hearing, which we probably would not; we will just have it as a resolution similar to Senator Robak's congratulating her schools, absolutely, that...if we are heading down that slope, I don't want any part of that either because that's very dangerous. This one, of course, had its public hearing. In fact, it's had a year since the public hearing, so it's not like it's been sprung onto the body, has been through two rounds of debate, and fairly substantial debate, wasn't voice voted over on Select File. The only thing missing is the layover day and this bill is of substantial length that I am sure there will be some time for contemplation as we read it to decide how to vote on it, and I just think the protections are probably there. I don't see the danger of doing that. I agree, I don't want to get to a system where you introduce a resolution one day, change the personal property...well, actually, you know, we could change the personal property tax system, that probably wouldn't bother you or I but it might some people, but if, for example, we wiped out the Omaha Civic Auditorium in one day by constitutional resolution, introduce it one day, vote on it the next day and off it goes, that isn't fair. I suggest to you that this issue has had a fair hearing, it had a fair process through the system. I would hope the members would see that, and, Senator Coordsen, we're probably also here for a little bit of time as the Governor seems to have the attention of the state at the moment for signing ceremonies in election year, so I would urge the members to suspend the rules at this point in time, and I'd be happy to answer any other questions.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Kristensen. There are no further lights, do you wish to close, Senator Kristensen?

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Yes, I do, Madam President, members of the Legislature, I would like to take some time and close. I want to make sure that we understand what we are doing. This would