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To Chair Fogarty, and Speaker Shekarchi:

I'm writing in support of H5036, that as I understand it would allow each House member to select three priority bills that are being held for further study. These would move forward with revisions if necessary, and be voted on in committees. This would help change the custom of putting off decisions and sending bills into that murky territory of "held for further study." This new practice seems it would be a boon to dealing with such an enormous number of bills y'all have, by whittling down some that keep getting reintroduced.

As a member of the public, I see people taking the time to attend and testify at hearings on issues they care about. But too often the bills are parked with no action, sometimes for many years. This is not transparency in government, when there is no indication of how much support they actually have among which House members, or which may be blocked by leadership alone for unknown reasons.

Please seriously consider this rule as an improvement to the process of legislating.

Thank you so much for your time and attention, and all your hard work!

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