

correctly, they don't know their address, they don't know the city, they don't know the village, they don't know their post office box number, these are the people who have so much interest in being involved in the government and they can't get that right? How should I...how can I be asked to trust them to initiate an action to change the Constitution and they don't even know their address? They probably don't know what time it is, they don't know what day of the week it is. Senator Witek has done it again, but I won't tell what it is she has done, you all know now because you've been here long enough. And, Senator Kristensen, it's not good to engage in child abuse so I'm going to restrain myself and not say any of those kind of things, but I will say that I am opposed to Senator Witek's amendment. I think it adds confusion and it does nothing to indicate that we take seriously this idea of circulating petitions. Senator Witek, they don't even have to know their address...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...according to your amendment. They don't have to know their city, they don't have to know their village, they don't have to know their post office box, they don't have to even know their own name. They don't need to know anything. Now what could be more preposterous than that, even in a Legislature in the State of Nebraska, even under an amendment brought by my political spouse, Senator Kaitlin Witek. I have to disagree.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Bernard-Stevens, to speak to the Witek amendment.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Madam President. It's always discouraging to see politically joined couples in a spat, but we'll all do what we can to nurse both of them through it. However, I also rise in opposition to the amendment for a basic philosophy and that is, if I'm signing a legal document, for the most part if I understand things correctly, I need to use my legal name and I don't mind doing that on a formal document. And it seems to me if we're signing something that potentially can change the Constitution of the State of Nebraska that we should...that is something that we need to take very seriously as well. And I think to ask someone to say that you need to on this serious, if you're going to seriously going to try to change our Constitution, you need to put your official name down. I think that's reasonable. We do it on legal documents