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and I...I think Senator Schimek agrees that we could eliminate a couple of provisions. So if you look on your bill, on page 2, lines 23 and 24 are deleted since they are now encompassed in subsection (7), just above that. And then on page 3, lines 12 through 17, that sentence is deleted also for the reason that it is now...the process is now covered by subsection (7) on page 2. So I would move the adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: You've heard the opening on the amendment. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. I would...I would agree to this amendment. I don't think it's absolutely critical that we do it. It is existing language but it probably is duplicative, and so I told Senator Beutler that I would not be in disagreement if he wanted to put the amendment up.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Further debate on the amendment? Seeing none, Senator Beutler, you're recognized to close. He waives closing. The question before the body is the adoption of the Beutler amendment to LB 251. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the adoption of Senator Beutler's amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: The amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Nothing else.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: We are now debating the advancement of the bill. Senator Schimek, you're recognized to close.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President and members. I might just note in passing that this bill really brings nonpartisan and partisan offices I believe in accord except for one area and that is the area where if right after the primary election a vacancy does occur, then by...in the nonpartisan office you can file on by petition, but in the partisan office you have to do it through nomination of the party. That remains