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two withdrawals filed. Dennis Byars filed a withdrawal, or moved that it be withdrawn, in front of the Executive Board three or four weeks ago, two or three weeks ago. Paul Korslund this morning asked that he be permitted to withdraw his election contest. This language simply approves those withdrawals of the election contest, that's all the amendment does.

SPEAKER BAACK: Now go back through the lights again. Senator Hall, do you wish to speak on that? Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Schmit. Senator Kristensen.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. Senator Lindsay, could I ask a couple questions of you?

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Lindsay, would you respond, please.

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Senator Lindsay, you and I talked about this amendment. And as you were writing it it made sense to me. And as you walked up, part of the problem is drafting on the floor we do this, by...if we adopt this amendment that says that we approve of the withdrawals, does that mean that we have the power to not approve the withdrawal? Does that mean that we have the veto power over whether to accept a withdrawal or not?

SENATOR LINDSAY: That I, to be honest, I don't know. That's kind of been...I've been struggling with that. I discussed that with Senator Chambers just a second ago. And I simply do not know. I voted last time to sustain the Chair. This was offered so that we have a record that those withdrawals have been approved. But whether it, whether it means that we have the right to deny those in the future or not, I simply, like I say, I don't know. I've been trying to struggle with that question myself.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: I guess that as I look at that, that in and of itself may be a little dangerous because we may say that we're not going to approve the withdrawal, thus we've gotten back to where Senator Chambers was earlier. And if we've already voted at this point to uphold the ruling of the Chair that once the election contest was withdrawn, it's done, it no longer exists, this goes back and sort of ratifies that that wasn't what the Chair intended to do. And it seems to me that when we voted on the very first day we seated Dennis Byars to