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additional time to Senator Lindsay, if he is ready to address any adjustments he has in that language.

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Lindsay, do you wish to...

SENATOR LINDSAY: Yes, I believe there's been some discussions again going on, trying to word this. And I think Senator Ashford has proposed an amendment, so at this time I would withdraw the Lindsay amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: The Lindsay amendment is withdrawn. Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: Mr. President, it's my understanding then Senator Ashford would move to amend. (Read Ashford amendment as found on page 731 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Senator Ashford.

SENATOR ASHFORD: I think it, Mr. Speaker, members, I think the amendment speaks for itself, and I would just urge its...that we move it.

SPEAKER BAACK: Is there discussion on the Ashford amendment? Senator Hall, do you wish to discuss the Ashford amendment? Waves off. Senator Chambers, did you wish to discuss it?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. Chairman and members of the Legislature, not really much in the way of discussion, but just an observation. There's not going to be another election contest prior to our adjourning here sine die this session. If the Legislature chose to do so, it could amend the election law to state that the one who brings the contest at any point can withdraw that contest at any point before the Legislature makes a determination, can withdraw it, then we don't have to worry about whether or not we have the veto power or not. Even if adopting the original offering of Senator Lindsay meant we have a veto power, it's not going to come into play anyway, and some times we should change the law to comport with the way things are going to be done. So, since we're in a position to do that, this amendment that is being offered by Senator Ashford does come close to drawing the thing to a close. So I'm not going to oppose what Senator Ashford has offered, and I'm not going to extend the discussion of it.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Schmit,