

this position came up you could resign that and be appointed to this. It's a technical issue, but I assume that if you had an idea that you could get appointed to this that you would re...you could be presently in that position, accept this position and resign so that...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, Senator Wehrbein, that is correct. That is my understanding of it and, in fact, I have had friends who have served on the Accountability Commission and have had to resign, like from a state central committee position.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I would understand it that way and I just want to sure that you could. And technically you'd be simultaneously hold a position for a few seconds or a few minutes while you were appointed and resign and I know it's cutting hairs, but I know that actually in reality those that will be interested in this kind of position will have probably been politically active in many cases, so it's not going to be a surprise that there would be similar interests in both cases. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Coordsen.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Schimek, Senator Schimek, I'd be quite a lot more comfortable with the amendment if it also prohibited people from being actively involved in any campaign. It says political committee, but really I don't think that I would be comfortable with a member of a State Election Board going out and being actively involved. Although perhaps not a committee member per se, but putting out yard signs, carrying brochures, or what, would you be, in the event that 952 is attached, would you be in opposition to language to that effect a little later in the bill?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: No, Senator, I wouldn't and, in fact, I've given that some thought myself and did talk about it with I believe Senator Withem the other day, and I guess we decided that the finer points of this would maybe be up to the board's interpretation. It's my recollection that people who serve on the Accountability Commission don't participate in political campaigns either, but I may be wrong on that or they may have eased that rule. But my recollection is that as of a number of years ago anyway, they were not allowed to participate in political campaigns and I don't think the language has been changed since it was first adopted. But I think that is a