

Conway, in looking through this some of the things that we've discussed in the other bills that have been brought before the committee occurred to me and one of the things, particularly is a major problem perhaps was regarding filing for offices and I'm speaking here about filing for candidates that are filing for like district offices where you have more than one county that is encompassed like a judge or a state senator, et cetera, because that...is there a provision in this amendment for this board to do that?

SENATOR CONWAY: The provisions in this amendment, and I should focus for a second for clarification. What this amendment really only does at this point is develops a super structure. We, as you go into the other 200 pages you will find that it leaves the standards by which we've been operating in the past which possibly may have referenced the Secretary of State when you have a multicounty or multidistrict situation, you have to file with the Secretary of State. You will now file with this commission. And so those are intact and through the codification process there are some of those things that we ultimately want to change. What we thought and the concept behind this is to have this board in place rather than a Secretary of State in the way it has been in the past, but just simply all these other pages you will see where Secretary of State has been scratched out and this commission has been put in. So they're still intact.

SENATOR SMITH: All right. So what you're saying is that, I think I did hear you allude to this earlier when you were explaining it, you were talking about this being sort of a super structure or shell, then some other things will be built into it.

SENATOR CONWAY: Mmm, hmm.

SENATOR SMITH: Okay, but I'm glad for the record that we're discussing some of these things just to make sure that they are brought into play as far as the amendment is concerned in the bill itself later on. The other thing is on page 4, paren. 6, there is discussion, or at least reference to the referendum. Is there at some place in the bill itself or is that the intent that later on it's going to be dealt with? What about the initiative process?

SENATOR CONWAY: The initiative and referendum question still