

the fact that we have to watch very carefully the one man-one vote, and the federal other laws on minority statuses, what have you. But, above all, the districts must be able to be comfortable and know that their senator that they have will be accountable not only during the term but after the term in the election process as well, and that's a critical element in the give and take of any district and their senator...

PRESIDENT MOUL: Time.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...and that area deserves that as much as all the other 48 would have. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Madam President and members, it's pretty tough for me to stand here and support a plan that's going to take out a good man out of this body, but I think Senator Schrock had the best interest of his district, of my district, of everybody's district in here of the nine that he alluded to earlier. I do agree with Senator Bernard-Stevens that we must leave personalities out of this. It's not a personality contest, but I think this plan here does have the best of everybody's district in it and I think probably it would eliminate some of that problem that I alluded to earlier in my earlier statement that 65,000 people would be getting a new senator. I just think this is rather ridiculous in a 50-mile radius. Some people in Nebraska has a hard time believing that there's 60,000 people west of York, let alone in a 50-mile radius. You know, it's a tough deal, but with that I think I would rather have the Cap Dierks', Senator Dierks' plan, than Senator Schrock's, due to the fact it would keep a good man in the Legislature, but I guess that...the body will make that decision and let's go from there. Thank you.

PRESIDENT MOUL: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. Senator Baack.

SENATOR BAACK: Yes, Madam President and colleagues, I rise in opposition to the Schrock plan. Senator Bernard-Stevens has stated a number of my objections to this plan and any, you know, all of us are going to have to accept some new people. I have to accept probably 13 to 14 thousand no matter what plan comes out and I don't have any problem with that, but I think that when you look at...when you compare the Schrock plan with the