

opinion. But I believe 19 through 21, on page 4, in some form needs to be there because we need to direct people how to go about the petitioning process for those who do come on as a petitioner.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Conway. I think what I will do is, again, not knowing what the body will do one way or another on this particular amendment, but if the body feels that the amendment be...if we return it, then we have an amendment that there might be another change. I will be talking with Bill Drafting and get together with the staff of the Government Committee to see, in fact, if that would be needed. And if the amendment is not agreed to, there won't be any burning need to do so anyway. Again, to reiterate for those that are looking at discussion, discussion is simply a...the amendment before us is simply a motion to return to Select File for a specific amendment and that amendment, if agreed to, would simply say that those people who have a certificate of election would be on the general ballot. Anybody that had been added new to the district because of the change by the Legislature between the primary and general election would be allowed to go through the petition process and because of the amendment that the Legislature agreed to, there, obviously, then would be more than one person that could be on the ballot, the two that would be normally on the ballot, plus anyone who petitioned on. If the amendment is not agreed to, then what you then have is no certificate of election holders and all people would have to petition on the ballot, including those who won in the primary, and that's really the decision before the body.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Bernard-Stevens. Anyone else wishing to discuss this motion to return? Seeing no one, Senator Bernard-Stevens, do you wish to close on your motion to return? He waives closing. We will now vote on the motion to return LB 9. All those in favor vote aye, opposed vote no. We are voting on the motion to return LB 9. Have you all voted? Have you all voted on the motion to return LB 9? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 3 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill.

SPEAKER BAACK: LB 9 has been returned to Select File. We're on the amendment. Senator Bernard-Stevens, did you wish to address your amendment?