

soon, just as soon leave things the way they are right now. I know, in speaking with one of my constituents prior to my coming down here three years ago, he made the comment to me, he said, will you please get rid of that silly, stupid law. Well, knowing where he stood in his political views, I took that with a grain of salt, and as we've seen this last election, what did it hurt? Really, what did it hurt? It didn't do a thing. What I like about the way the process we have now, it, at least, gives you a chance. It gives you a chance to think anyway that your vote actually counted, and I really don't think it will ever happen in this state being in the position we are politically. This way you would give it a chance to run through a course record. For, heaven's sake, we had it the other way for so many years, that I can't remember when it was...when we didn't do it any different. But this way, this way it would give you a chance to go back and survey the situation and see if we ever did have a case where it did make a difference, where that person's vote could actually be counted on the record and say, by golly, my vote did count, it did count and I appreciate the fact that the Legislature let my vote be part of the process. Now I see absolutely nothing wrong with leaving it sit in there until the year 2006, or whenever it is, whenever it does come up, and with that I would give the rest of my time to Senator Bernard-Stevens. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Bernard-Stevens.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Janssen. One of the interesting things that happened over the last couple of weeks, I was able to go to a Republican soup supper in Lincoln County, and it was a rally and trying to get the party members, the faithful, fired up for all sorts of good things in the future. But one of the...one of the things they did is they asked me to come and give a legislature...legislative review, and this is one of the bills I talked about, and when we talked about the fact that the people in the Third District or Lincoln County being able to have their vote count, whether it be for Ross Perot in the future, or some other candidate, or maybe even a favored son in the Third District that would be running that the majority would vote for knowing that they wouldn't necessarily win the presidency but their vote would actually count in the Electoral College, it was amazing. The heads were nodding and they were saying that makes sense. And when you really talked to them about the Electoral College, and the fact that the vote doesn't really count, you know, they really start