

volunteers, paid petition circulators at that time. If there could have been paid circulators, you can make sure that I would have my petition signed in about one week as opposed to, I think it took about two months. So I don't know if it's going to address that candidates can also be put on the ballot by the petition process. So I don't know if that has been addressed or not. Volunteerism is the way of the past. It is hard to get volunteers in any aspect whether it's working at a hospital, Red Cross and I was a volunteer at one time and it's fading out of society. There are no volunteers today. And whoever is circulating a petition has the option of paying somebody or getting some volunteers, I'm positive that they would opt for the paid circulators. So that's the flaw that I see in the...I don't know whether it's good or bad, but that's the flaw that I see in it and at this time I just cannot support LR 6. Thank you.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Robak. Senator Warner.

SENATOR WARNER: Madam President, members of the Legislature, I rise to support the advancement of LR 6. I've been pushing my button off and on. Hopefully I wanted to vote and move on, but there's just two or three things that I think ought to be done. I certainly agree with the prospect of trying the system that is contained in the bill. I think the opportunity to both test the proposition that where you have an all volunteer group that that should have a priority preference in how the number of signers are put into statute is an important concept to retain. You have people that are volunteering. They have a commitment, a personal commitment which I think justifies that lower vote, or not lower vote, but lower number of petition signers. They, after all, are making a greater effort that they can...time off from the job, they're not...have no interest, no financial interest in what is being accomplished, it is out of dedication and is very good basis would seem to me as has already been discussed for the two-tier system. Some questions have come up as to how distinguish...how you would distinguish being paid and unpaid circulators. I've heard a number of suggestions that would be appropriate to consider enabling legislation. Color code paper is one that certainly would be simple that has been suggested where the paid circulator simply use a different color as opposed to the printed document at the top, but I would hope that we would advance this issue because I think it's going to be a unique opportunity to provide a test of a case which I suspect will be followed by virtually every state if it's deemed