

law restricts those people. So then we go back to even the previous provision which was 65 in its current form. So I think that the prospect of what...playing what if is fairly, fairly silly, but I do not think that adding this provision to this bill at this time would somehow cause a court to keep the congressional system of allocating delegates in place, that certainly is not the intent. I don't think that would be the impact. We would be back to...if LB 65 passes, which I hope it doesn't, by the way, I'm up front with that, sorry, Senator Kristensen, if LB 65 passes, which it probably will, we will have a system of allocating delegates based on winner take all for the entire state. If somehow this measure deems whatever legislation was passed with it attached unconstitutional, then we'll probably be back to the old system, pre-Schimek bill, which will allocate the delegates based on winner take all for the state. So I do not think adding this provision endangers the prospect of our state going to a winner take all system, certainly it's not my intent. And I don't see the legal mechanism doing that. This is, in all probability, a very severable system from the rest of the statutes. And the concern that Senator Witek raises is one worthy of discussion and debate, but I don't think her fear is valid, at least certainly not to the point of making people who would otherwise support this amendment not be supportive of it.

SENATOR CROSBY: Thank you, Senator Withem. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Madam President, members of the Legislature, Senator Witek's on the phone, but here's what I would want her to hear, and apply it in connection with this discussion, there were times when I would make arguments in the past which, to my way of thinking, are as valid as these, but Senator Witek didn't hear them at that time. So there are a lot of people during this discussion, where she might agree with things that I say, people are not going to hear it. They won't hear it. So, Senator Witek, in the same way that you didn't hear me earlier, there are people who won't hear it now. And that gives me a point, a chance to talk about my philosophy of patience with reference to legislative work. With the number of people that we have in this body, the number of differences of opinion, and opinions which themselves will change from day to day, if a person as intense as I am about the things that I believe in would have the kind of temperament and disposition which would cause me to feel so much frustration and discouragement if the goals that I want to achieve were not achieved quickly, I would