

and the constitution advises that you would have to do the same thing on initiative and referendum. It's not a big deal as far as I'm concerned and so I'm willing to change it if you are. If you're not, I guess I wouldn't be terribly concerned either, but I think that there really, truly is a question about whether we can do that or not, and so that I would advise that we go back to the three weeks. If we want to change it, do so constitutionally then. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Is there any discussion of the Schimek amendment? Seeing none, Senator Schimek, do you wish to close? Closing is waived. The question before you is the adoption of the Schimek amendment to LB 337. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: 27 ayes, 0 nays, Madam President, on the adoption of Senator Schimek's amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Schimek amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Senator Bromm and Senator Schimek would move to amend, Madam President. (Bromm-Schimek amendment, AM1751, appears on page 1792 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Bromm.

SENATOR BROMM: Thank you, Madam President. Senator Schimek and I, with the assistance of the Secretary of State's Office and Senator Witek's aide met for some time on Friday and tried to design some language to take care of this problem we were working on earlier in the day about the possible unconstitutionality of the language that said if they do not match the signature and address shall be presumed invalid. And we're talking about, on page 7, which is where we were with this on Friday, Journal page 1792 is our amendment. With the amendment it would read, "The finding of the election commissioner or county clerk may be rebutted by any credible evidence which the Secretary of State finds sufficient." Now, the presumption that we talked about so much that day lies further up in the language of that section and reads, "The signature and address shall be presumed to be valid if the election commissioner or county clerk finds the printed name, street and number, or voting precinct and city, village, or post office address to match the registration records, and if the