

SENATOR VRTISKA: Minnow.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...sardine. No, I want to take things that people eat out of cans. Well, we could compare them in a sense, they both are fish, they both are eaten, they both are packed in cans, they both have a lot of oil, and everybody wants fish, not with good taste, but fish that taste good, whether tuna or sardines, although sardines I don't know why anybody in the world would eat those things or how they could eat those things.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Anybody who could eat a sardine, to my mind, could easily be a cannibal. I mean that's just my opinion, show you how little I think of sardines. But when we say "compares with" it gives us no standard by which to judge, and it doesn't mean that when you compare one with the other that they have to even be similar, it just means you make a comparison and you say, okay, I've compared them, this is different from that. And that's all that has to be done. So the point I'm trying to make is that the term is too vague, it does not give a standard and the clerks and the election commissioners would be subject to all kinds of pressure by people who justifiably could say the statute doesn't tell you that this or that signature or address is invalid so I want you to count it. I want to narrow as much as we can what it is we're putting into the statute.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Madam President, members of the body. I just wanted to offer another argument or two in opposition to the Vrtiska amendment. I just have to say once again I think it's overly broad. It really does open up for discussion a lot of areas, and I think that you need to be clear for these county clerks and election commissioners or they're going to find themselves in the same old position. But Senator Dierks said something, and Senator, I don't...Senator Dierks.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Senator Dierks.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: I'm sorry, you said something which I wanted to ask you to repeat, if you could. Something about are we concerned here about the people or the county clerks. Is that...was that the essence of what you said, Senator Dierks?