

law, that those instead of requiring exact counterpart with substantially, which substantially means largely, but not wholly, that which is specified so we are substan...we are going to ask that they substantially compare those signatures, addresses and everything else that we're requiring instead of saying that they must match which, match exactly, my amendment would change that language so that they would substantially compare. And I mean, anybody who wants to read page 7 of LB 337 before it passes, it's on line 23 and 24, that's what this section is amending. The election commissioner or county clerk shall also compare is the language in there so we're just saying that they must substantially compare that language instead of having an exact match or an exact counterpart as in the language that's in the bill at this present time. We're just asking to have it changed to substantially compare. And my other three amendments, I have intentions to pull those amendments although I still do have concerns with those areas of the bill. I think this is probably the most serious area of the bill and we'll damage the petition process more than anything else and I will be voting in opposition to 337, but if it has the support of a majority of individuals on this floor, I would ask that the least you can do is actually put in this language that's in this Witek amendment instead of saying to just compare it and not putting in any extra language on saying whether we require an exact match if that's what you want. From listening to people on this floor and listening to the discussion on Select File, I don't think that's what most people want and we were one vote short on Select File. I don't think most people are going to require that it's exactly the same, that if I put Kathleen Witek on my registration and I put Kate Witek on a petition that that would still be acceptable and it would substantially compare with...

PRESIDENT ROBAK: One minute.

SENATOR WITEK: ...instead of the word "compare" that we have in here and "match" that we have in this language. Match means it has to be exact. You are asking that those, that the signature on the voter's registration card and the petition match exactly. That's what you're asking with this language. I am asking to change it to "substantially compare". You already have the words "compare", that's what you're asking them to do is compare the two signatures and the two addresses and I'm just saying substantially and that means largely, but not wholly, not exactly matching. It doesn't have to be exact. You can still