

fraud and abuse here. But...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR WITEK: ...I...I still think that the bill is worth going through in its original form to see how it works in those smaller areas in rural Nebraska, where they have, I think, a little...you know, a smaller area would be easier to control. And I just don't think it's right because I just told Senator Cudaback, you know, if you...if this amendment gets attached, I can't support the bill to go forward. And I had talked to him in committee and I feel bad about that, Senator Cudaback, but I have to be honest with you, there's no way I'm expanding this bill at all. It's fine in its original form. Any changes to it and...and I will not support it. Thank you.

SPEAKER WITHEM: Senator Cudaback.

SENATOR CUDABACK: I guess much has been said here, Mr. Speaker. Currently, SIDs do this, sanitary improvement districts currently do this. I don't know how many people are aware of this, but we're not even...it isn't even new there. Nothing's happened. It works great there. A lot of people vote this way in that area. So I don't really think we're inventing anything here. It isn't new. As I said, I was skeptical to start with, I really was. But then as I got to thinking, hey, we're doing it here, we're doing it there. And I do appreciate Senator Bernard-Stevens' comments, but I look at it, the fact that it's more concentrated when we knew there was going to be election on Tuesday, we know that people are going to be going to the ballots, correct? The day before, on Monday, they could have a concentrated area, cover the whole district, cover that whole segment of people, say, hey, you vote this way. Absolutely they could convince more people on that particular...on the way we currently do, then on this method. They do not know when they're going to receive this envelope. They may receive it, you know, three days before, five days before, eight days before. Our current method, we know when we are going to vote, Tuesday, or whatever the day might be. They can absolutely...whoever they are. We worry about they. I never have interpreted that word to mean who, but they could come to your door and say tomorrow, do this. So I'm not really worried about people going on a special issue ballot. Again, I want to emphasize, this is not candidates, has nothing to do with