

to do. On these things they'll go out to all registered voters, maybe it would be in Omaha or Lincoln, maybe they'll have two or three special elections in one year. They may choose to do this, we don't know what the cost is going to be. We don't even know if it's going to be a good process or not. But Senator Schimek talked about the fact that people today don't go door-to-door and talk about issues. Of course not. The ballot's not there. The ballot is not at the house, the ballot is on election day. And so the procedure is you try to influence the minds of people in making their decision by sending literature, by having people go door-to-door to drop things by, on ads, television, radio and so on. But the rules will change with the Cudaback bill. Now the ballot will be located in the house. And who on this floor can stand and say that when there is a ballot at the house and a person can go to that house to raise the issue and that vote can be cast that day, that that will not be used in an effort. It will change the rules of how we garner votes in political elections. And even though Senator Cudaback is true...is truthful that he says...he's always truthful, but in this case he is very truthful when he said it doesn't deal with candidates. Sometimes the issues are the most important. Bond issues are wars anymore in communities. Gambling issues would be a war. There are a lot of issues that can be very, in a community, divisive. In this particular bill, the way that we have it, is that on these issues the ballot goes to registered voters. Now how many people when they've run their elections can honestly stand up and say the voter registration list is accurate? How many people can say that when the mail goes out that all of the registered voters will receive that? And registered voters that aren't technically registered to vote in that special election won't receive the ballot. How many of us know that people, on the ballot issues, even in the last election, were voting on issues they did not have the ability to vote on, but it was a mistake? What do you do with a ballot that's sitting in a vacant mailbox, because the mailbox is still there, or a vacant house, the mailbox is there because the voter registration list has not been changed, and here is a ballot for an election to an issue in the United States, in the state of Nebraska, sitting there for anyone to take? What is to stop a church group from saying, we have an issue before us, let's all bring to our annual meeting, or to the PTA, if we're in education, let's all bring our ballots so that we can all mark them at the same time, and we can then get them all in at the same time. It changes