

think sunsets and then we'll have data. It was at that point that I think many of us got a little bit...I was a little nervous on the bill anyway, but I got very nervous on the bill when we expanded it to include all subdivisions at this point when it is something that's relatively new. And we're kind of getting into this process this year on 1044. We're going to do this major combining of agencies in order to do something in the future we think is better that we're not quite sure what's going to happen or what it's going to do. On other issues we're not quite sure what it's going to do, but we'll wait and see. Property tax certainly will be that way. And now we have another bill that's not maybe in the category as far as affective of people as property tax or 1044, but it's another one where we don't know exactly how it's going to...how it's going to proceed. Will it be successfully or not? I'm more comfortable with doing what Senator Cudaback wants to do if we're going to do such at a limited basis; and if it works well, then to expand it to all political subdivisions. So this amendment strikes the Schimek amendment that expanded the mail...voting by mail to all political subdivisions, strikes that and maintains what was originally in the bill that Senator Cudaback had in the green copy. That's the purpose of the amendment. And again, the reason that I'm a little concerned about the bill in general, it's not one of those drastic concerns, I just have a philosophical problem at this point and maybe it's because I'm middle-aged, as the Clerk keeps reminding me and I keep getting into that mind-set, but I'm very concerned about when ballots go out that people would be able to go door to door and put political pressure on people on how to vote knowing that the ballots are going to be there in the house or maybe they've picked it up in the mail at this point and that still concerns me. And so I still may vote no on the bill itself, but I would rather if the body is going to do this experiment, regardless of how other states have done it, if we're going to do it in Nebraska, let's keep the experiment small, let's keep it controllable. And if it works as well as those that are supporting it say it's going to work, then we can expand it. But let's don't expand it big time into the large subdivisions across the state when we're not quite sure what's going to happen. Then if we don't like it, it's going to be, obviously, you can't undo what was done in the past, and I think we need to be very careful on that. That's the nature of the amendment and I would hope that the body would adopt the amendment.