

have here to that statement? We will discuss that or I will redeem that promise here shortly, Senator Cudaback. Thank you very much.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Withem. Senator Bernard-Stevens. Waives off. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, Senator Cudaback, I guess I would like to have a little conversation with you here on the air, so to speak, and, Mr. President, members of the body, I just want to make sure that we understand what this amendment is about. I understand the first part about the publication, and I understand the third part about the verification of signatures. I think where I am wondering what's going on here is in the second paragraph, the second part, and after having visited with the coun...or had a conversation with the Secretary of State's Office, it is my understanding that because Senator Kristensen had the sunset clause amendment, which he has subsequently pulled, but had that amendment and this particular language being put in here so that you wouldn't have to go through and have about a 500 page amendment to make some changes in the statute regarding this whole publication and notification, and so forth, and so it was kind of a stopgap because of the sunset provision. Without that, probably we could go through and make those permanent changes at some point.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Senator Cudaback, would you respond.

SENATOR CUDABACK: She is exactly right

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay, I guess I rise in support of the amendment and I think that it will strengthen the verification process and that I certainly have no problem with that. So, thank you.

SENATOR COORDSEN: Thank you, Senator Schimek. There are no further lights on. Senator Cudaback, did you wish to close on your amendment? Closing is waived. The issue before the body is the Cudaback amendment to LB 964. Those in favor please vote aye, those opposed nay. Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on Senator Cudaback's amendment.