

political subdivision will be there, to do a mail-in ballot because more people will vote and that will enhance their position to win on the ballot issue. Others that will be on the issue, saying that, we don't think that if everybody votes, we may not be at the best advantage, we think the people have to have the...need to at least believe in it strong enough to go to a voting place to vote so we'd rather them not have a mail-in ballot because we think we'll have an advantage that way, they will urge the board not to do so, and if you believe that's not going to happen, that's fine. I know what things happen on these types of issues and they will happen. Now the board is going to be put in a position of, gee, do we do a mail-in ballot or not. Not because they're doing it on an experiment or see if it'd work, but whether or not it'll, (a), support or not support a particular side of the issue. And the reason it's going to get to that level is because the issues that they're going to be talking about aren't the same issues that Senator Cudaback talked about at the beginning of the process; but they're going to be more different issues and more complex issues because what we're doing, since the original discussion on this bill, on the property tax side. At the minimum, there could be two things that could be done with this bill, which is why I offered this motion, not to delay anything, but at least to say to Senator Cudaback, there are two things we could do. One I'd be very happy with and I know Senator Cudaback would not, we'd just put a two-year implementation date on it, get through this unsettling time. The second alternative, I think, may be a more position in the middle, and if amendment could be filed that would limit what the...and Senator Cudaback has tried to limit where these special elections will be by saying, not candidates. If we could limit it on buildings or other issues dealing with property tax levies or something, that might be something that we could all live with. But we are taking some big, big gambles anyway on the property tax side. I don't think, by just arguing that we can have more people to participate, fully appreciates the dilemma that...

SPEAKER WITHEM: One minute.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: ...is going to be incurred on these issues and I would hope maybe that at least the body takes a look at what we passed on LB 1085, what we are potentially doing on LB 1114, that will move next week, I'm sure, by the time we get back to it in a small amount of time. And start looking at