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chance, you'd probably get more people maybe to talk to people
if they're going to vote for a Senator Bernard-Stevens or a
Senator Cudaback or a Senator Robinson or Senator Chambers, that
might bring in more discussion and I guess I don't want to take
that chance. On issues, very little talk on issues, very little
talk. It's either a up or down.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: So you're afraid that Senator...

SENATOR CUDABACK: Special elections are up or down.

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: Thank you, Senator Cudaback. So
you're afraid on the candidate side that there would be more of
a chance of fraud. Would that be a fair statement?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Are you trying to put words in my mouth
or...?

SENATOR BERNARD-STEVENS: I'm trying to...

SPEAKER WITHEM: Time. Senator Witek.

SENATOR WITEK: Mr. Speaker, members of the body, I rise in
opposition to the reconsideration motion. I don't want 964 to
pass. I will be voting against it. I have had problems with
this bill from the very start. It was in our committee. At
that time, I talked with Senator Cudaback about concerns. We
had agreed in committee to allow it to go out because Senator
Cudaback wanted to make it his priority bill and we talked about
a lot of these issues that we discussed on the floor. Senator
Cudaback, his reasoning was that it would be that just the 5,000
people or less and so I felt comfortable with that, although I
understand he raised to increase that along with the floor...or
voted to increase that along with others on the floor. But I
had thought it would be a good thing to try since we are asking
a lot of the smaller areas to cut their costs to allow them to
use something like this to hopefully cut costs in their areas on
their election process, because some of the smaller towns it's
very expensive to do any of their election process. I never
wanted it to be in the larger areas, not all at once. I think
Senator Maurstad's amendment was an excellent amendment. It
should have passed. In my opinion, it should have passed. I
still...I still don't understand why it didn't pass because
anyone following this, to me, would say that it was exactly what

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