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want to say, well, that doesn't...I'd say, I don't want to hear you tell what it means, let's talk about what the court said first. Did the court say that it's legally sufficient, yes or no? Well, I don't have to answer that. I'd say, then let's let the court speak for itself, and then I'd read from the opinion, and then I'd give the decision which concludes that the matter...that the petition is legally sufficient, and the Secretary of State is hereby ordered to put it on the ballot.

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And you tell me that's not potent ammunition for me? And, if I feel strongly enough about trying to get a matter on the ballot by petition or having a statute stricken by way of referendum, that I'm not going to use every bit of ammunition that's made available to me? I'm going to be a good guy and say, well, I won't bring that up, because that's unfair...oh, no. And I'm going to exaggerate the significance of the opinion, because I can construe and interpret it any way that I choose. This is unwise legislation, it's unsound public policy, and I'm opposed to the bill. And I think what Senator Quandahl's amendment will do is simply say that instead of having a weasel do it, we will have an ermine do it. And, as you all know, an ermine is simply a weasel in winter garb.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Schimek, on the Quandahl amendment, AM1446, to LB 729. Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. Senator Chambers, I...I have to remind the body what you said on General File about this bill, because I want to make sure everybody understands why you're against this bill. And I quote, "I want...I want these petitions that it's deemed that the people know so much. I want them to be messed up, just like they are. I don't want the constitution butchered, but let these people do their butchery on their petitions, and let them go ahead and get it on the ballot, and let the public vote for something which is as messed up as many of these things have been, because it is not, in my opinion, the responsibility of the Legislature to correct the foolishness of some of these people who are going to support these petitions and have them