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SENATOR LANDIS: Be better, wouldn't it? That way it would make sure it clears both of them. That way it would be...

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: ...a statewide regular primary or general election. In other words, both of them would be statewide elections and both of them would be in the regulation...regular cycle. I would ask for the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Landis, your light is on next. Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I'm just reading the language, at a statewide regular primary or general...I wonder if we need to put "statewide" in front of "general election", or are we going to just from the record make it clear that the word "statewide" applies to both regular and the primary, I meant the general...the primary and the general? Okay, I think...I think the language is okay and I will support that.

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Senator Schimek, on the Landis amendment to AM1830 to LB 382.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I've been listening to this last little discussion on when these elections should be and I don't care, but I wonder if you want to lock it in to just that one election cycle, if you don't want to allow it to be done either in the statewide primary and general or the municipal primary or general election. You're really closing doors. Senator Chambers, you're shaking your head. Why, why would you just want to do it during the statewide elections?

PRESIDENT MAURSTAD: Senator Chambers.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Schimek, because of the fact that more people turn out for the statewide elections, and on something like this, it should be at one of those elections rather than a municipal election because sometimes in Omaha fewer than 15 percent of the voters may turn out at a municipal election.