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term in the Legislature shall resign from the Legislature prior to the commencement of the legislative session during which the term of the state or local office will begin." Now, what does that...what does that mean? "Except as otherwise provided by law", that allows us to come in next year with a statute and talk about what do you decline. Because you, in effect, don't get a certificate of nomination until afterwards, this would allow us to draft a statutory mechanism for them to come in and say, I hereby certify I'm going to refuse the certificate when I get it. They could file an intention to decline, which would then trigger the constitutional provision that they could stay in the Legislature. It would require us another statute, but it would be foolish, in my opinion, to put the statute and cobble up the constitution by doing that. This is the simplest, cleanest way. It's taken several weeks to try to come up with that mechanism. Members up in the Bill Drafters Office are artful, skillful and have been helpful over the past few weeks to come up with that. This, I believe, is the cleanest solution to our problem. I've explained the amendment; I would ask at this point in time for you to vote to return so we can adopt that amendment. Thank you, Mr. Clerk (sic--President).

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Kristensen, there are no further lights. Did you wish to close on your...

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: I would waive closing and ask for the return to Select File to adopt the amendment.

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion before us to return LR 6CA to Select File for specific amendment. All in favor of the motion vote aye; opposed vote nay. Have you all voted who care to? Record, please, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 40 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to return the bill (sic--resolution).

SENATOR CUDABACK: The motion to return was successful. Senator Kristensen, to open on your amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Thank you, Mr. President. The opening of the amendment would be that and, for the record, refer to my motion to return for specific amendment. I would echo those and