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election of five persons to serve as the Committee on Credentials, who will forthwith report to the Legislature on the credentials of those claiming to be elected to the Legislature in the General Election in November 2002.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Brown. The question is the adoption of the motion to elect the Committee on Credentials. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed say nay. The motion is adopted. The Chair recognizes Senator Schimek.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes, thank you, Mr. President. I move to elect the following five members to the Legislature to serve on the Committee on Credentials. They are Senator Ernie Chambers, Senator Paul Hartnett, Senator Chris Beutler, Senator Dave Landis, and Senator Roger Wehrbein.

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Schimek. The five senior members on the floor at this time are Senator Beutler, Chambers, Hartnett, Landis, and Wehrbein. The motion before you is to elect the five senior members. Are there any further nominations? All those in favor say aye. All opposed say nay. Motion is adopted. The five senior members should retire to the rear of the Chamber to join with the Clerk and the Secretary of State. The Chair recognizes Senator Landis.

SENATOR LANDIS: Thank you, Mr. Lieutenant Governor. I move to approve the Committee on Credentials' report, as certified and presented by the Secretary of State. And, by the way, that report simply says that there are no challenges to any of the elections, and the elections that we know of are in place. (Legislative Journal pages 2-3.)

PRESIDENT HEINEMAN: Thank you, Senator Landis. The motion before you is to approve the report of the Committee on Credentials. All those in favor say aye. All those opposed say nay. The report is adopted. The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler.

SENATOR BEUTLER: (Microphone malfunction)...Governor, I move that a committee of five be appointed to escort the Chief