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whether I'm going to support this. But I really do feel that there should be some degree of difference for serious crimes. Thank you, Mr. President.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Thank you. Senator Smith, you're recognized. This is your third time.

SENATOR SMITH: Thank you, Mr. President, members. The discussion we're having here I really believe is productive. And I want to remind everyone that we have on the books--and I don't know how Senator Schimek voted--but the sex offender registry. That carries out beyond the end of a sentence. Or maybe you want to consider that part of the sentence. But it certainly is a tool for the public to realize that there is still some danger there. And I didn't know until this morning that there was...until just minutes ago, once we started debating LB 53, that there is an Attorney General's Opinion that, in summary, it says, while the Spady case does offer a means to argue that LB 53 is constitutional, there still remains at least some constitutional question as to whether the right to vote can be restored solely by operation of a statute. An administrative procedure for a warrant of discharge through the Board of Pardons would avoid that problem. So Senator Schimek, I would have a couple more questions, if you would yield.

PRESIDENT SHEEHY: Senator Schimek, will you yield?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes.

SENATOR SMITH: Senator Schimek, what is the minimum amount of time before someone can go to the Pardons Board to ask for restoration of voting rights?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Ten years.

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