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SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...to be a recognized party, then that...they...that party could not select their own candidate like one of the major parties could. But the person who wanted to file certainly could at that particular time. And I'm not sure, but I think maybe they could file as a Green Party candidate at that time because they're not a recognized party. No. Committee counsel says, no, can't have a party designation, period.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Well, I certainly support the idea of correcting our statutes so that we have a procedure in place. I'm going to listen to the discussion, because I don't know that I'm comfortable with a free-for-all at that point. There could be no limit to the number of candidates that may be on a ballot, and then we could find ourselves in a situation where we could have an elected official who doesn't represent 50 percent of the vote.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: We've had that in this Legislature before, Senator. Do you remember...

SENATOR REDFIELD: In the general?

SENATOR CUDABACK: Time, Senator.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...when we did the redistricting in 1991? I know you weren't...

SENATOR CUDABACK: I'm sorry, but time is up.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Redfield. Senator Chambers, followed by Senator Beutler.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Mr. President, I'd like to ask Senator Schimek a question.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Senator Schimek, would you yield?