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SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes. Thank you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Senator Schimek, is there any place in the U.S. Constitution which sets the term of a member of the House at two years?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: Do you happen to know where that is?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Is it Article...

SENATOR CHAMBERS: I think maybe...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...Article I?

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...counsel is getting it. And that's not a trick question. I just want to look at the actual language...

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...of it, because I'm not challenging that it's two years, but I'm interested in seeing the terminology used.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Okay. Thank you.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: But what you said when we were running out of time the last time you and I were talking is that you believe this is done in other states, meaning the carryover from when the person is elected, whatever brief period of time it happens to be, and will be the individual who will serve out the next term. But there will only be one election. Isn't that true?

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: That one that fills the vacancy.

SENATOR SCHIMEK: Yes.