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SENATOR SCHIMEK: ...the Secretary of State's Office.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: And I'm not going to try to stop the bill or delay it. It's just something that I'm interested in having the answer to. We know that states cannot limit the terms, the number of terms, a person in the House or the U.S. Senate can serve. You can...the state cannot limit the number of terms. Can the state alter the length of time for which a person will serve in the House when that person has been elected one time? That's my question. There are regular intervals at which people are elected to the House of Representatives. That election occurs on a certain Monday after a certain something day in November of whatever the year is. That's when that election is to occur. If somebody had been in the house prior to that, that person...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...would have to run again to be reelected, or a different person is elected for the next term. But under this proposal, the individual would have been elected by way of a special election, would not just fill out the remainder of that term but would automatically carry over into the next term without having been elected pursuant to the requirements of the U.S. Constitution. So can a state determine that a person will serve a longer period of time? That's the question. Senator Schimek is going to find the answer. And that's the only question at this point that I have with the bill. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. Is Senator Beutler present? I'm sorry, I did not see you. I'm sorry, Senator Beutler. You may speak, if you wish to.

SENATOR BEUTLER: I shifted slightly in my chair, Mr. Speaker, but I didn't expect that to throw you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you.

SENATOR BEUTLER: (Laugh) Senator Schimek, I think I'm understanding the bill and I just want to, by way of one