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understands what you are trying to do here. And so essentially what you're doing in this amendment is saying that anybody, any other time, any other time other than that August up to the statewide election, or from between the election and the first of January, any other time that we have a vacancy, you are saying that that person may file by petition to get on the ballot. And as a result of that, the time gets lengthened to 90 days. And that would be true, then, throughout the whole calendar, except just between August 1, really, and the end of the year. Okay. And the person who would be elected any other time would serve out the vacated term. The person who would be elected between August 1 and...or, the vacancy was between August 1 and the general election, that person would receive...would serve the remaining term and then the succeeding term. Okay. That's clear. I think that I'm clear on what this amendment does. I think that Senator Redfield is right in suggesting that the only thing that she's changing, really, are those two things in the amendment. So with that, unless there are further questions, thank you very much.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Schimek. Further discussion on the Redfield amendment to LB 682? Seeing no lights on, Senator Redfield, I recognize you to close.

SENATOR REDFIELD: Thank you, Mr. President, members of the body. I want to thank Senator Schimek and all of those who have had questions and participated in the discussion. I think elections are important. I think it's important to recognize the will of the people, and to give them the opportunity to express that will. And I believe this would improve the process. But I do recognize that the committee did excellent work. And that's why in the amendment I was trying to mirror their process as much as possible for...the process for all other times where a vacancy may occur. I would ask for your support on the amendment. Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Redfield. You've heard the closing on AM1325. The question before the body is, shall that amendment be adopted? All in favor of the motion vote aye; those opposed to the motion vote nay. We're voting on the Redfield amendment, AM1325. Have you all voted who wish to?