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doesn't apply unless you switch...unless you stretch that language all over the place. So even though you can't run for an office when you've committed a felony, there's no way to get you out of an office if it's discovered that you committed a felony while in office. So the more logical language is to say "in office" means convicted of it while in office. That would be a more logical interpretation, and that's why I suggest to you that what the court would really do is make that kind of interpretation. Otherwise, the law has incongruities that are...that are just not acceptable to the people of the state. Thanks.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Beutler. Further discussion? Senator Howard, followed by Senator Brown.

SENATOR HOWARD: Thank you, Mr. President and members of the body. I'm new to this political world. I've been here 89 days. I come from social work. I come from an average neighborhood and a pretty common life. But when I decided to run for District 9, I learned about the A & D requirements and I respected those, and I learned the time frames and I respected those. We filed the reports. If we had a question, we knew who to call. And when I was elected, I was told that working as a case manager for Health and Human Services would be a conflict of interest, and I resigned. And what I'm saying is that I think the rules should be applied universally; that there should be respect for what's been established and for what people have worked hard to put into place to ensure our system. I thank Senator Schrock for bringing in this resolution. It's not easy to stand up. And I often think of what a constituent in my district has said. They said you need three things to be successful. You need energy, you need intelligence, and you need integrity. And if you don't have the first two...if you don't have the last, the first two will surely kill you. I thank you for bringing this in and I return my time to the Chair.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Howard. Further discussion? Senator Brown, followed by Senator Erdman.

SENATOR BROWN: Thank you, Mr. President. My sense is that we