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permits them access to the absentee ballot on election day. Number one strikes existing language and by so doing it takes out part of the limitation in one section that provided for the challenge procedure between a contested voter and an election official. Currently that language only existed in the county race area. Only in county races was there such a challenge provision. By taking out this language we take out that limitation and we then are creating a uniform challenge or verification process in all elections. By so doing you will fill the gap that exists in some municipal elections in which there was no verification mechanism. Number one then makes applicable the rules now being used for counties in all races on verifications and challenges of voters and number two permits poll workers and election staff to vote by absentee ballot. I move the adoption of the amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Is there anyone that wishes to discuss the amendment? Seeing no lights, the motion is the adoption of the Landis amendment. All those in favor vote aye, against nay.

CLERK: Senator Beutler voting yes.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Please vote. Is there anybody else that wishes to vote? Record the vote, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on adoption of Senator Landis's amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: The Landis amendment has been adopted. Are there any further amendments, Mr. Clerk?

CLERK: Nothing further on the bill, Mr. President.

SENATOR BEUTLER: We are back to the main bill. I see no further lights on. Is there anybody who wishes to speak to the bill? Senator Landis, do you wish to close on the bill then?

SENATOR LANDIS: I will close by moving the advancement of LB 623 to E & R initial.

SENATOR BEUTLER: The motion is the advancement of LB 623.