

SENATOR LUNDY: Mr. President and members, I just wanted to rise to tell you that I think that there is room to move up from December 10, let's say. There is room to move into maybe the latter part of November even to clear out some of the Board of State Canvassers' work. Some of the recounts that have to be done could be done in November rather than December. So I don't believe there is anything holy about December as Senator Wesely has put down, there is nothing holy about December 3 for the Board of State Canvassers. That is done by statute, it can be changed. The recounts can be conducted after the State Canvassers finish. Rather than the fifth Wednesday after the general election, it could be moved up some two weeks. So as Senator Vickers started in a few minutes ago to suggest that maybe this could be done, I see no reason why it couldn't be done. With the mechanical voting devices we have today, I think that these things could be moved up some two weeks ahead of December 10.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. I will...how much time do I have, Mr. Speaker?

SPEAKER NICHOL: Three and a half minutes.

SENATOR WESELY: Thank you. Thank you, Senator Lundy, for your support and again clarifying the situation that we are at. I have passed out a sample calendar. I have showed you, if we had adopted it this last November, what we would have done under this bill. I want to assure you that there is all kinds of people that have come to me with ideas on the bill and the timing of it and I will work with you on Select File if we can advance the proposal. The concept Senator Lundy and Senator Vickers are saying is, why should we take a month to wait to know how the election results are actually going to turn out to be certified? And if we were able to meet a little sooner, could we not then deal with all our bills at that point and have the flexibility to do that and then have that break for about a month in the holiday season and what have you to get away from the Legislature and allow the public to know what we are doing and what bills are in there and give us all a chance to kind of catch up on everything. I kind of like that idea. I don't know if you do or not but again all of that would be a flexible potential that this body would determine at the appropriate time. Rex is worried about, well, what is going