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what we're doing now is we're becoming the contestants, a part of the process. When someone challenges an election, they have to establish on what grounds are they bringing that challenge. Mr. Korlund brought forth the challenge relative to the absentee votes, he didn't mention, did not include in his contest, which he had the opportunity to do, anything about these other 95 votes. We're now pulling those into the scheme of things. And I think in later contests that some of you get involved in, the question is, when you are challenged, are you going to be able to defend yourself relative to what's on the table in that challenge, or you also then have to worry about what this body is going to do in terms of other issues that we may have thought are important or not important being brought in the contest, and this thing can go on forever. So, I put it in that context, in that light as well. But, if we're going to look at those 95, I think we ought to look at those 95 in light of what are the ground rules going to be relative to those 95, not simply pull them into the foray of it all.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Conway. We'll now go to Senator Schmit.

SENATOR SCHMIT: Mr. President and members, Senator Landis being a very skillful parliamentarian and a very gifted speaker has turned the contest into a charade. He knows that he can raise the issue of doubt here. And those of us who are less gifted and perhaps a few of us who are less experienced will begin to doubt, and we'll say, what about those 95 votes, you know they should have been counted. It has been explained on this floor the time for that challenge has long since passed. The issue was not raised by Mr. Korlund. No more than we could have...and can we, as a body, go back and count them? I think not. And this is why, we could not have decided to have extended the time for Senator Carpenter to have posted his bond. Senator Carpenter missed the time to post his bond, period. I believe the time for the challenge of those votes was 40 days after election. That time has passed. I do not believe that today we can legitimately pursue that area. Senator Landis knows very well that he has created dissension, and he has created doubt, and he has been able to plant in the minds of some persons a slim doubt of whether or not this process ought to be reviewed in total. Ladies and gentlemen, it is not our responsibility to review every single vote that was cast. We are voting today on whether or not to accept or reject a report from the Executive Board. This body voted to reject 25 to 24,