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We all have a merry chuckle as they're voted down and we watch preparations for Biden's inauguration continue

Trumpists don't have enough votes in either chamber

> What would the legal result of the proposed objections by the six Senators (need House & Senate) be?
>
> — Alexa O'Brien (@alexadobrien) January 2, 2021

Sort of

You'd only get Acting President Nancy Pelosi if the vote counting wasn't done by January 20th when Trump's term ends

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> And if they do manage it Pelosi takes over? Is that right?
>
> — Phil Wheatley \u26bd\ufe0f (@philski68) January 3, 2021

Basically, if e.g. Arizona's Biden votes were thrown out, Dems would object to Arkansas or some other state soon after Arizona

When the chambers separate to consider the objection, the House would refer the question to committee first

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And the committee would intentionally never meet, unless / until there was some deal worked out to let the vote-counting continue without issue

So definitely possible, a point of leverage for Dems, but still exceptionally unlikely

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Congress can do whatever it wants – if both chambers agree to it https://t.co/GoWclysMhR

> Cruz\u2019s call for a ten day audit/election committee... there no legal authority for this to even occur correct?
>
> — Justin Rakowski (@JustinRakowski) January 3, 2021

Yep

There's no scenario where any of this is going to happen, and honestly I'm mystified people are still talking about it two months later https://t.co/ZCt4SFXD5E

> Wouldn\u2019t the house have to agree to throw out the votes?
>
> — Aimee baginski (@BaginskiAimee) January 3, 2021

Correct https://t.co/tFOhrU3KQG

> True. But obviously in this case, since both chambers wouldn\u2019t agree it\u2019ll a moot point and Cruz is just performing like a circus monkey?
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> — Justin Rakowski (@JustinRakowski) January 3, 2021

But people don't worry about hurricanes when it's not hurricane season; you don't get scared about ice storms in July

That's the level of "not going to happen" we're dealing with https://t.co/3K3OvNd8tr

> Because events with small likelihood but very big impact are still scary.
>
> — Matir (@matir) January 3, 2021

https://t.co/6C4P9JF4Ns



> Which is what makes the whole "Pence can do whatever" thing crazy, since its the Joint Session who's in charge of the Joint Session.
>
> — Kevin Lynch (@quickbrownfox42) January 3, 2021

Correct https://t.co/Tek4pufWAX

> Do I remember your video correctly that when the House and Senate disagree, the tie breaker is who the governor of the state in question certified? If correct, then this is all theatrics, no? I mean we don't even need to get to the nuclear option or a never meeting committee.
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> — Keith Delahoussaye (@Cajun_Chevalier) January 3, 2021

On the first question, probably

On the second, whoever the joint session picks. Historically, it's been the President Pro Tempore of the Senate https://t.co/aI3cVQqHKf

> More questions for you professor...https://t.co/Rejh9bIyXQ
>
> — Institute for Advanced Horsepucky Analysis (@IgnotumAliquis) January 3, 2021