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SENATOR WARNER: Oh I would imagine yeah.

SENATOR CARPENTER: For forty five?

SENATOR WARNER: They have someone hired now at thirty, but it's been at that level for three or four years, whether they could replace him for that I don't know. I have no objection to a limit Senator Carpenter, I just felt it should be in the appropriations act rather than by statute, that's the purpose of the bill.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I think you and I can both agree that any Doctor is worth his salt, doesn't have any problem earning at least a minimum of fifty thousand up to probably a hundred thousand dollars a year, now if we are going to get somebody for example to some extent to supervise all those who practice it would seem to me that they ought to pay them enough in order to get somebody who first is qualified and has some independent judgement. So I, let me strike that amendment and put this one in there, that we put back in the stricken matter, and where it was, where it was thirty thousand dollars put forty five thousand dollars, I really don't think you can get anybody that's qualified for less than that. Now does the Senator have any objections, if he has I'll withdraw all the amendments?

SPEAKER: Does the Clerk have the amendment?

CLERK: Yes Mr. President.

SPEAKER: Will you read the amendment please.

CLERK: Read.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Now we ask Senator Warner does he have any objections to that, or would he prefer no amendments?

SENATOR WARNER: Senator Carpenter, I think I prefer your initial amendment indicating that the pay will not exceed the amount approved by the legislature for that particular position, that gives flexibility, one of the things that they were concerned about was the fixed amount, that when they had new applicants they, the applicants generally felt well if that was the pay by law, that's what they should receive, even though they maybe could hire someone for less than that, I don't know I'm afraid if we set it forty five then that will be the assumed level by new applicants even though they could hire for, you know initially smaller amounts. Excuse me.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Your bill provide the state board of health can pay whatever they find necessary?

SENATOR WARNER: Yeah, this is the way the act is with the exception that the limitation is still going to be in the budget bill with the limitation on the personal services, as we do now in several departments.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Well, what you think for example the board of health paid somebody forty five thousand, I think that's what it is going to take, that it would make any difference what we appropriated in the budget they would almost have to go and pay it wouldn't they?

SENATOR WARNER: Yeah, but you'd have more flexibility in the budget act then you would have by statute, you'd have to have a bill every session you know to change it if that was necessary.

SENATOR CARPENTER: I ask for unanimous consent to withdraw all amendments I've offered.