

SENATOR MARESH: Correct.

SENATOR DeCAMP: I think that this was designed as the economical way because these wouldn't necessarily have to be full time people out there. That would have some flexibility.

SENATOR MARESH: What training would they be required to have?

SENATOR DeCAMP: They would have to have training in forensic pathology. Now forensic pathology giving kind of a layman's description is the ability and study of doing autopsies and trying to decide whether they died from funny reasons that weren't just quite right.

SENATOR MARESH: It seems to me with the fiscal impact of \$33,446, those would be full time pathologists, wouldn't they?

SENATOR DeCAMP: That is not necessarily correct.

SENATOR MARESH: Wouldn't it be better as a pilot program to try it with a state coroner and then if it works out then come back and have the district coroners? Why not try it first for one or two years and see how it works before we go the whole route.

SENATOR DeCAMP: Okay, why don't we look at it this way. This is what the doctors and the others came up with, the county attorneys, the Attorney General who is very concerned about the economic impact as the most economical. Now, what I have suggested is that we adopt the amendments, we move the bill and then we start deciding what way we can make economies and still not destroy the system and still have something. Would that be reasonable at least at this time?

SENATOR MARESH: Another question on the lab technicians, doesn't the patrol now have a lab...a mobile lab with technicians in there? Why would we have to hire additional technicians, why couldn't we use the patrol's lab technicians?

SENATOR DeCAMP: I'm not sure just what the patrol does have. What I can say is everything that was put in there by the patrol, they deemed necessary and proper. One of the issues was lab duplication, technicians, one of the reasons for example that they wanted to make sure they didn't use the same laboratory equipment, for example, as you were using to test chemicals for spraying or something was for forensic pathology you have to have extreme accuracy because you are dealing, you are dealing literally with life and death and you have to have equipment that isn't subject to forty people using and maybe being defective