

some slight variations and I am having the amendment xeroxed, but for those who were following this issue, I would like to just kind of explain what the differences between what Chris is offering and what I have suggested to Chris might be an acceptable substitution and I will explain why. Most of it deals in the area of Section 1 in the Beutler amendments. Now that starts out "Such person shall in addition have been an active member of an organized fire department for a minimum of five years." Now I am proposing that we change that to "six years" because six years is the minimum it takes to become a chief, I mean it takes to become a captain in the fire department. So we would take that from "five" to "six" years. The other thing is, the second part of that says "three years of which shall have been in the capacity of an officer". Well, I think what Senator Beutler was intending there is that they had had to have at least three years as a firefighter and we would like to strike that, Chris, so it is six years as a firefighter which would even further clarify and further strengthen that provision. And then to strike out the other part of the language which deals with the training course, "either fire department drill school, vocational course, or fire college". Now the reason we want to do that is because there are right presently no state standards, no state standards or explanations of what these schools are and the language we would propose would be, "and shall meet the minimum qualifications and training standards established for the city for all firefighters". Since there are no state standards, we are basically saying that we are going to use the city standards and that further clarifies that they would have to be a trained officer for six years, as an officer, not three years an officer. So with those amendments, Senator Beutler, if you could accept those, I would be willing to accept your amendment. I think basically Senator Beutler's amendment does clarify, it does tighten up to make sure that how and when and that there has to be authorization by the fire chief for the use of the subpoena powers, et cetera. So with that, I will hand these to Chris, and hopefully he will be able to accept them.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Haberman.

SENATOR HABERMAN: Mr. President, members of the Unicameral, I have a question of Senator Beutler.

SENATOR NICHOL: Senator Beyer, will you respond? Senator Beutler, I guess it is.

SENATOR HABERMAN: I ran into a situation in my area in